HOT TUB & POOL WATER DISPOSAL

Prevent Pollution

All storm drains in Kirkland flow to the nearest creek, lake or wetland. You can be subject to fines (KMC 15.52, 1.12.200) for allowing pollutants to enter storm drains.

DISPOSAL METHODS

Sanitary Sewer (PREFERRED METHOD)

- Use hot tub or pool's permanent drain connection to sanitary sewer, sanitary sewer cleanout on your property or an indoor drain (ex. utility sink or toilet)
- Never drain water to private septic system

Landscaped Area (NO SANITARY SEWER ACCESS) or Storm Drain (NO OTHER METHODS AVAILABLE)

- Discontinue adding chemicals & turn off heater
- Use neutralizing chemicals or let water "sit" long enough to reduce chlorine level to 0.10 ppm or less
- Test water to determine chlorine (must be 0.10 ppm or less) and pH levels (must be between 6 and 8)
- Water must be free of coloration, dirt, suds, algae, filter media and acid cleaning wastes
- Water must not flow onto neighboring properties

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TIPS

- Clean pool or hot tub regularly. Maintain proper chlorine levels, water filtration, and circulation
- Do not discharge water to septic system. It is prohibited and may cause the system to fail
- Pool & hot tub **filter backwash and cleaning water** must be collected, contained, and disposed of in the sanitary sewer system
- Dispose of **diatomaceous earth** filter material in trash
- Never discharge **filter backwash or cleaning water** to the ground, surface waters or storm drainage system

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Have questions about pollution prevention?
Visit ***www.kirklandwa.gov/stormwater*** or contact Kirkland Public Works at 425-587-3800

REPORT WATER POLLUTION

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