



Sumter County
Sumter, South Carolina
29150

Sumter County
Stormwater Department

What can I do to help?

You can help prevent illegal dumping by:

- Disposing of yard waste, tires, paint, trash, or other household waste in an appropriate manner.
- Notifying Sumter County Storm Water department of any illegal dumping you observe.
- Recycle

What can I recycle?

Appliances/Scrap Metal, Batteries, Bulk Waste Items, Aluminum, Food Cans, Glass, Paper, Plastic, Yard Waste, Cardboard, Tires, Used Motor Oil, Office Paper/Magazines.

Where can I recycle?

Sumter County Recycling Locations:

- Cane Savannah Road
- Rainaire Boulevard
- Pinewood Road and Avin Road
- Stamey Livestock Road
- Alligator Branch Road
- Queen Chapel Road
- Bethel Church Road
- Spencer Road
- Pleasant Grove Road

All Recycling Centers are open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 7 a.m.-7 p.m., and on Sunday from 1:30 p.m.-7 p.m. However, yard waste is only accepted on Saturdays and Sundays.

RESOURCES AND CONTACTS

The IDDE Ordinance may be viewed by visiting the Sumter County Webpage and selecting A-Z listings, and then Code of Ordinances.

Sumter County Website: www.sumtercountysc.org

The *NPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Regulated Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems* can be viewed at:

www.scdhec.gov/environment/water/swnpdes.htm

To report illegal dumping, please call the Stormwater Department at (803)-774-3854.

Sumter County Stormwater Department
1289 N Main Street
Sumter SC 29151
Phone: 803-774-3854

Illegal Dumping



Who are we?

We are a branch of Sumter County Government that focuses on the regulation and monitoring of the storm water system.

What is storm water?

Storm water is any precipitation that runs off of the land. This water can flow overland or be channeled through a catch basin, ditch, pipe, or any combination of the above into a water body. Waste in the storm water infrastructure can block flow and cause flooding. Pollutants can be introduced to storm water as a result of the waste. Because storm water is not treated by a treatment plant, these pollutants, along with the storm water, go directly into the water body.

Why is regulation of the storm water system necessary?

Sumter County is allowed to discharge storm water under a permit granted by SC DHEC known as the *NPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Regulated Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems*. Under this permit, Sumter County is liable for the quality of the water that it discharges into water bodies of the State. Illegal dumping can introduce pollutants and cause flooding, both of which affect water quality. Sumter County must make efforts to eliminate illegal dumping to the maximum extent practicable, or face fines.

What is Illegal Dumping?

Illegal dumping is any unauthorized disposal of waste on any public or private property. This means anything that is dumped in publicly-owned facilities by which storm water is collected and/or conveyed, including, but not limited to, any roads or streets, gutters, curbs, inlets, piped storm drains, pumping facilities, retention and detention basins, natural and human-made or altered drainage channels, reservoirs, and other drainage structures.

Examples of illegal dumping include:

- Piling Yard Waste into Ditches, Catch Basins, or Other Storm Water Asset.
- Disposing of Tires in Ditches, on Roadsides, or in the Fields or Woodlands.
- Disposing of Paint, Motor Oil, or Household Waste in an Unauthorized Manner.



Tires thrown into a ditch along Turkey Creek.



Litter in a catch basin in a Sumter neighborhood.



Yard clippings dumped in a ditch that have blocked drainage.

Illegal Dumping is a violation of the Sumter County Code of Ordinances

In compliance with the SC DHEC General Permit, Sumter County has adopted an Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Ordinance. The ordinance states that all infrastructure through which a watercourse passes must be kept free of all debris. The full text of the ordinance (Chapter 40, Section 40-99) can be found on the Sumter County Website.

Inspections

In compliance with the SC DHEC storm water permit requirements, Sumter County will be inspecting for illegal dumping.