

Vehicle Repair, Maintenance, and Cleaning



Existing and proposed vehicle repair, maintenance, or cleaning operations that are (or will be) connected to the Pierce County Sewer System are required to provide Supplemental Information along with the Minor Industrial User Pretreatment Review application.

The bulletin is intended to assist the applicant in preparing the necessary documents to be provided with a complete Pretreatment Review Application. This document is a guide only and should not be misconstrued as a replacement or revision of the Pierce County Code and associated Sewer Utility design and construction standards.

What additional information do I have to provide when submitting my Pretreatment Review Application?

1. If there are **no floor/trench drains** that discharge to the sanitary sewer in the maintenance area or vehicle washing areas, provide the following additional supplemental information:
 - a. Verification that there will be no floor drains/trenches.
 - b. Provide a copy of a Maintenance Agreement between the owner/user and a waste management company to remove spent fluids, oils, filters, batteries, etc. from the site.
2. If there **are floor/trench drains** that discharge to the sanitary sewer in the maintenance or vehicle washing areas, the Sewer Utility will require a coalescent plate oil/water separator, and the following documentation shall be provided.
 - a. Submit three (3) sets of coalescent plate oil/water separator plans stamped by a registered professional engineer to the Sewer Utility Representative at the Pierce County Development Center for review. A review fee of \$1,510.00 must be paid at the time of submittal. A completed Oil-Water Separator Design Checklist must accompany the submittal.
 - b. Submit to the Sewer Utility a copy of a Maintenance Agreement between the owner and a commercial disposal or septic tank cleaning service to provide periodic cleaning of the coalescing plates and pumping the interceptor.
 - c. Provide a copy of a Maintenance Agreement between the owner and a waste management company to remove spent fluids, oils, filters, batteries, etc. from the site.
3. If the operation has a **paint booth**.
 - a. Provide details on how the paint equipment will be cleaned.
 - b. Provide details on how waste paints and cleaning chemicals are disposed of.

Where can I get the forms that I need?

Sewer Utility Division Standard Plans and Forms can be downloaded in PDF format from the following webpage: www.piercecountywa.org/sewer

Completed applications and fees (make checks out to Pierce County) must be delivered in person to:

Pierce County Sewer Utility – Permits
2401 South 35th Street, Room 150
Tacoma, WA 98409-7494

Or mailed to:

Pierce County Sewer Utility – Engineering
9850 - 64th Street West
University Place, WA 98467-1078

If you have any questions, please contact either:

A Sewer Utility Permit Technician at (253) 798-2737, or
A Sewer Utility Engineer at (253) 798-4050