



POWER WASHING REGISTRATION REQUIRED BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Effective January 1, 2006, a person who uses a power washer in any commercial manner or for compensation shall register with the Director of Conservation, and obtain a certificate for such use. (San Antonio City Code Chapter 34, Article IV, Division I, Sec. 34-272.1)

Required Best Management Practices for pressure washing of impervious surfaces:

1. Use a broom to remove solids from impervious surfaces before washing.
2. Spot clean areas of high petroleum product contamination before general cleaning of entire project (e.g. diesel pumps); remove (and pre-treat using filtration or other methods) this wastewater to remove any free-floating oil and solids (City Code 34-472). This will minimize pollutants in the runoff water to the pervious areas (lawns).
3. Don't allow water to run off onto roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, creeks, streams, tributaries, manmade channels, or storm drains that provide collection or conveyance of storm water, rainwater, or other surface water and are located on public property. Discharges made in such a manner are considered wastewater and are in violation of Chapter 34, Sections 24 and 704 and Chapter 3, Section 287 and 288 of the City Code.
4. When working on impervious surfaces, place a diversion device (such as a dike or berm) to collect wastewater and prevent runoff from going into channels, creek, river, streets, or storm drain inlets. All water should be collected and discharged into the sanitary sewer collection system in such a manner to meet the requirements in City Code Chapter 34 section 472 or discharged onto lawns meeting state regulations for discharge of greywater; or
5. Use a wet/dry vacuum to pick up excess water on impervious groundcover; or
6. Have a person follow the pressure washing activity with a broom or squeegee in order to push excess water onto pervious areas (lawns), minimizing the discharge.

I _____ (applicant) of _____ (business name) have reviewed the above Required Best Management Practices and the relevant San Antonio City Code excerpts. I understand that I must submit a registration notice to the San Antonio Water System ATTN: Conservation Department at P.O. Box 2449, San Antonio, TX 78298-2449 or faxed to (210) 233-5384. Work performed without such registration is subject to normal Code Compliance regulations. I understand and will abide by these guidelines as set forth by the San Antonio Water System on this day of _____, 200____.

(Applicant)

(SAWS Conservation Staff)

(Business Name)

(Business Address)

(Phone)



Pressure Wash Registration Form

To: San Antonio Water System
Conservation Department

P.O. Box 2499
San Antonio, TX 78298-2449
Phone: (210) 233-3620
Fax: (210) 233-5384

Date: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____