

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) FAQs

Who will be assigned Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) training?

All employees that handle or manage chemicals, trash, mow grass, or other pollutant sources such as gasoline, that could release pollutants into stormwater. It is up to the supervisors to notify HR if they believe an employee should or should not be required to take the training.

Why am I required to complete the MS4 training?

As authorized by the Clean Water Act, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program controls water pollution by regulating point sources that discharge pollutants into waters of the United States. In response to these federal regulations, Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) requires the implementation of controls that are designed to prevent harmful stormwater pollutants from being washed into local water bodies. One of these controls is the education of municipal employees on Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping.

How do I complete the training?

Navigate to the City's website under *Government > Stormwater > NPDES Info*. There you will find:

- A link to Purdue's LTAP site
- A step-by-step *MS4 Training Instructions Guide* on how to create and register for the *MS4 Good Housekeeping & Pollution Prevention Training*
- A FAQ sheet

How many MS4 training courses are required?

Currently employees need to complete the one training course, *MS4 Good Housekeeping & Pollution Prevention Training* through Purdue LTAP. This training contains 6 modules with a 10-question quiz after each module.

How long will it take to complete the training?

The MS4 Good Housekeeping & Pollution Prevention Training 6 module videos total 57 minutes. There will be additional time spent on the knowledge quizzes after each module.

How is my training progress tracked?

Progress will be saved as the employee moves through the training so it can be done in multiple sittings if needed. HR does not need to be notified when the training is complete.

How often will I need to complete the MS4 training?

Training only needs to be completed once upon hire, unless job duties otherwise require additional training. Full time employees have 60 days from date of hire to complete the training. Temporary/Seasonal employees have 30 days from date of hire to complete the training.

