

Chapter 200

WATER POLLUTION

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Genoa City as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Nuisances -- See Ch. 186
Solid waste -- See Ch. 228.

Water and sewers -- See Ch. 270.

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§ 200-1. Intent; prohibited discharges.

- A. Legislative intent.** This chapter is designed to prevent polluting or spilled material from reaching lakes or streams where it can create a hazard to health or a nuisance or produce ecological damage and to assess responsibility and costs of cleanup to the responsible party.
- B. Discharge or release prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to release, discharge, or permit the escape of domestic sewage, industrial wastes or any potential polluting substance into the waters adjacent to or within the boundaries of the Village of Genoa City, or into any stream within the jurisdiction of the Village, or into any street, sewer, ditch or drainage-way leading into any lake or stream or to permit the same to be so discharged to the ground surface without authorization from the Village Board.

§ 200-2. Cleanup of spilled or accidentally discharged wastes.

- A. Cleanup required.** All persons, firms, or corporations delivering, hauling, disposing, storing, discharging or otherwise handling potentially polluting substances, solid or liquid, such as but not limited to the following, shall immediately clean up any such spilled material to prevent its becoming a hazard to health or safety or directly or indirectly causing the pollution of the lakes and streams under the jurisdiction of the Village of Genoa City: fuel oil, gasoline, solvents, industrial liquids or fluids, milk, grease trap and septic tank wastes, sewage sludge, sanitary sewer wastes, storm sewer catch basin wastes, oil or petroleum wastes.

- B. Notification.** Spills or accidental release of hazardous materials or pollutants at a site or of a quantity or nature that cannot adequately be cleaned up by the responsible party or parties shall be immediately reported to the Genoa City Police Department and Fire Department so that assistance can be given by the proper agency.
- C. Financial liability.** The party or parties responsible for the release, escape or discharge of wastes may be held financially liable for the cost of any cleanup or attempted cleanup deemed necessary or desirable and undertaken by the Village of Genoa City, or its designated agent, in an effort to minimize the polluting effects of the discharged waste.

§ 200-3. Storage of polluting substances.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to store any potentially polluting substances unless such substances are stored in such manner as to securely prevent them from escaping onto the ground surface and/or into any street, sewer, ditch or drainage-way, lake or stream within the jurisdiction of the Village of Genoa City.