MS4 Public Safety Fact Sheet

USM has a permit with Maine DEP to discharge stormwater from their storm sewer system local waterbodies. Compliance depends on the cooperation of many departments on campus including Public Safety.

What to look for:

➢ Illegal dumping that is not stormwater, especially in ditches or catch basins;
➢ Leaking fluids from vehicles;
➢ Pet waste not being picked up;
➢ Littering;
➢ Open dumpsters;
➢ Car washing; and
➢ Any flowing water in a ditch or catch basin that doesn’t look clean, e.g. (cloudy, foam, oil sheen)
  ▪ If you see any of the above contact the Stormwater Coordinator for USM.

Applicable Public Safety Best Practices:

➢ Vehicle fueling procedures:
  ▪ Stay with your vehicle while fueling;
  ▪ Know where spill supplies are located near fueling area; and
  ▪ Contain and clean any spills immediately
➢ Maintain emergency spill kit for smaller incidents on campus (Ziploc bag of speedi-dry and sorbent pads)

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