

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR MARINA OWNERS / OPERATORS

Petroleum Management

Instruct staff not to use detergents or emulsifiers on a fuel or oil spill.

Post emergency telephone numbers to report oil or chemical spills in prominent locations at the marina.

Recommend the installation and use of fuel/air separators on air vents or tank stems of inboard fuel tanks to reduce the amount of fuel spilled into surface waters during fueling.

Provide a collection site for used oily pads and used oil or provide information on how and where to dispose of them.

Hazardous Wastes

Have a marina policy to manage hazardous wastes and hazardous materials.

Post a prohibition on the disposal of used oil, antifreeze, paint, solvents, varnishes and batteries into the dumpster or general collection waste receptacles.

If you provide for hazardous waste collection, manage the wastes in a proper fashion through the use of structurally sound, non-leaking containers, in accordance with all local, state and federal laws.

In the event of a spill or leak, clean up and dispose of materials promptly and properly and report the spill to all appropriate entities.

If operating a collection facility is not feasible, provide information to your tenants on how and where to dispose their wastes.

Encourage the use of alternative products to hazardous household chemicals. There are many non-toxic or less-toxic products that can be used as alternatives.

Emergencies

Have an updated map of important shut off valves and make sure all employees know the locations.

Keep your list of Emergency Phone Numbers and contact persons updated.

Be sure that all employees are trained in emergency procedures and that they know their responsibilities for each situation as designed in an Emergency Response Plan.

Underwater Boat Hull Cleaning

Require the use of legal hull paints to reduce the possibility of contamination when performing hull cleaning.

Boat Sewage Discharge

If your marina operates a pump out facility, install adequate signs to identify the station, its location and hours of operation.

Provide the service at convenient times and at a reasonable cost.

Make the pump out station user friendly.

Develop and adhere to a regular inspection and maintenance schedule for the pump out station.

Provide educational information about the pump out station to boaters.

Inform berth holders of existing local, state and federal regulations pertaining to the use of Marine Sanitation Devices and the illegal discharge of boat sewage.

Post a list of local pump out locations in a conspicuous location such as the entrances to the docks.

Solid Waste

Keep litter picked up.

Place trash receptacles and dumpsters in convenient locations for boaters and guests.

Use covered dumpsters and trashcans so they do not fill up with rainwater and do not blow away in heavy winds.

Keep trash enclosures clean and free of debris.

Keep cleanup equipment and materials available.

Inspect trash storage areas regularly.

Dispose of all solid wastes in accordance with local, state and federal laws and regulations.

Liquid Waste

Train marina employees in oil spill response procedures.

Keep adequate spill response equipment and materials in strategic locations.

Storm Water Runoff

Maintain a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

Report spills that have entered or have a potential to enter a water body to appropriate agencies.

Provide signage adjacent to any storm drain inlet to discourage illegal dumping of pollutants.

Provide signs adjacent to parking lots that prohibit littering, dumping and vehicle servicing or washing.

Develop and implement a regular sweeping / cleaning program for hard surface areas.

Reduce or eliminate landscaping and irrigation runoff into the waterway.