

Pool Discharge Guidelines



Chlorinated Pools

When draining to a vegetated area onto owner's property:

- 1) The area should be large enough for discharge without any runoff.
- 2) There should be no puddles of standing water to prevent mosquitos.
- 3) The water should be dechlorinated to avoid damage to vegetation.

If discharging to the storm drain system (curb):

Chlorine residual should be less than one ppm (part per million) contain no other chemical used in the treatment or disinfection of the swimming pool water or in pool cleaning.

All Pool Backwash and Drainage Water

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Saltwater Pools

When draining to a vegetated area onto owner's property:

- 1) The area should be large enough for discharge without any runoff.
- 2) There should be no puddles of standing water to prevent mosquitos.
- 3) You should keep in mind that saltwater can damage vegetation.

Saltwater should not be discharged to the storm drain system.

In Article VI of the Illicit Discharges of Pollutants Ordinance, Round Rock bans certain pollutant discharges to the storm sewer, such as filtered backwash water, chlorinated pool water and saltwater during swimming pool operations and maintenance activities. Pool owners should follow the requirements to properly dispose of pool water, to prevent damage to our creeks, vegetation and aquatic life.

Pool water may alternatively be discharged to the storm drain system provided that it is free of pollutants and dechlorinated. Direct hose connection to the storm drain system is prohibited.



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