

Wisconsin Spill Reporting Requirements - *Condensed Version*

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ALL discharges of hazardous substances that adversely impact, or threaten to adversely impact public health, welfare or the environment must be IMMEDIATELY reported to the DNR.

De Minimis Exemptions in Chapter NR 706, Wis. Adm. Code (effective 3/1/97):

Only apply when the discharged substance:

- ✓ has evaporated or been cleaned up in accordance with NR 700 - 726;
- ✓ does not adversely impact or threaten to adversely impact the air, lands, waters of the state as a single discharge, or when accumulated with past discharges
- ✓ does not cause or threaten to cause chronic/acute human health impacts
- ✓ does not present or threaten to present a fire or explosion or other safety hazard

1. Petroleum compounds:

- gasoline or another petroleum product completely contained on an impervious surface.
- < 1 gallon of gasoline onto a pervious surface or runs off an impervious surface.
- < 5 gallons of other petroleum products onto a pervious surface or runs off an impervious surface.

2. Agrichemical compounds:

- < 250 pounds dry fertilizer
- < 25 gallons of a liquid fertilizer
- pesticides that would cover < 1 acre of land if applied according to label instructions.

3. Federal reportable quantities:

- < the federal reportable quantity for a specific substance

Statutory Exemptions - no reporting is required for:

- discharges within the limits authorized by a valid permit or program (Chs. 281, 285, or 289 - 299, Wis Stats)
- law enforcement /fire departments using hazardous substances to protect human health, safety, welfare;
- proper applications of a registered pesticide or a fertilizer

Call 24-hour Hotline 1-800-943-0003 to report a spill of a hazardous substance

Notes:

This document contains information about certain state statutes and administrative rules but does not necessarily include all of the details found in the statutes and rules. Readers should consult the actual language of the statutes and rules to answer specific questions.

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