

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CARRBORO TOWN CODE PROVISIONS FOR  
ILLICIT DISCHARGES TO THE TOWN'S STORM SEWER SYSTEM

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO ORDAINS THAT:

Section 1. Chapter 5 (General Offenses) Article IV of the Carrboro Town Code is amended as follows:

Section 5-31. Definitions

(1) *Pollutant*. Anything which causes or contributes to pollution. Pollutants may include, but are not limited to: paints, varnishes, and solvents; soaps and cleaning solutions; kerosene, gasoline, oil and other automotive fluids; liquid and solid wastes and yard wastes; refuse, rubbish, garbage, litter, or other discarded or abandoned objects or accumulations, to the extent that the same may cause or contribute to pollution; pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers; hazardous substances and wastes; sewage, sewage sludge, fecal coliform and pathogens; dissolved and particulate metals; animal wastes; dredged spoil; filter backwash; salt; chemical wastes; biological materials; toxic materials; radioactive materials; wrecked or discarded equipment; sand; dirt; ashes and incinerator residue; wastes and residues that result from constructing a building or structure; and noxious or offensive matter of any kind. This includes any chemical additive to water potentially causing or contributing to pollution.

(9) *Surface waters*. All, streams, lakes, and ponds that appear as surface waters on either the most recent version of the soil survey map prepared by the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture or the most recent version of the 1:24,000 scale (7.5 minute) quadrangle topographic maps prepared by the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) as well as Town regulated streams.

Section 5-32 Illicit Discharges Prohibited

(b) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this article, the following shall not be regarded as constituting an illicit discharge:

13. Individual residential car washing or charity car washing that does not allow water to directly enter the stormwater system

15. Dechlorinated swimming pool discharges that discharge across ground in a diffuse and non-erosive manner outside the stream buffer

19. Runoff from residential properties that is discharged as diffuse flow in a non-erosive manner outside the stream buffer

Section 5-34 Inspections

(a) Upon the presentation of proper credentials, Town officers, agents, and employees engaged in the enforcement of this article shall have a right to enter on any premises within the Town at all reasonable hours for the purpose of making inspections, collecting samples, or carrying out other enforcement actions under this article.

## Section 5-35 Enforcement

The Administrator is authorized to enforce the provisions of this article through the penalties and remedies available for enforcement as set forth in Section 5-21 of this chapter.

This is the 3rd day of May in the year 2022.