



INDUSTRIAL WASTE PROGRAM
*Partnering with Industries
to Prevent Pollution*

King County Industrial Waste Program Newsletter - Fall 2019

KCIW Rule Updates coming in 2020

According to an [Executive Order](#) signed on January 11, 2016, all King County Executive Policies and Orders and Public Rules written before that date will expire on January 11, 2021.


Between now and the end of 2020, we will be revising and renewing the rules listed below. Look for information about the process and your opportunity to give input sent through this email list. If you have any questions in the meantime, please let us know. Contact us: 206-477-5300 or info.KCIW@kingcounty.gov.

- [PUT 8-12-1 \(PR\)](#) - King County Industrial Waste Enforcement Response Plan
- [PUT 8-13-1 \(PR\)](#) - King County Industrial Waste Local Discharge Limits
- [PUT 8-14 \(PR\)](#) - Discharge of Construction Dewatering to the Sanitary Sewer
- [PUT 8-15 \(PR\)](#) - Discharge of Contaminated Groundwater to the Sanitary Sewer
- [PUT 8-16 \(PR\)](#) - Discharge of Cooling Water into the Sanitary Sewer
- [PUT 8-22 \(PR\)](#) - Discharge of Hauled Waste at a King County Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) Treatment Plant

No additional changes will be made to this rule:

- [PUT 8-24 \(PR\)](#) - King County Industrial Waste Fees (Effective July 1, 2019)
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Questions about the industrial Waste Program? Contact us by phone 206-477-5300 , email info.KCIW@kingcounty.gov or on the web: <http://www.kingcounty.gov/industrialwaste>.

Changes are coming to Post Violation Inspection and Monitoring Program (PVIMP) Fees

Companies that violate industrial waste regulations, King County Code, or permit discharge limits must pay fines and reimburse the King County Industrial Waste (KCIW) Program for the staff time spent preparing documents, inspecting and sampling, and the associated laboratory's analytical fees. Over the last five years, the cost of processing the violations has increased but KCIW has not increased the fees for companies who violate the rules. KCIW is now making changes to the PVIMP fees we charge to help us recover our costs resulting from the violation.



On January 1, 2020, KCIW will update PVIMP costs for violators and separate the sampling fees from the fees for laboratory analyses. Separating these charges will make it easier for customers to understand them. In addition, the sampling cost will be based on the type of sampling (e.g. grab vs. composite). Companies will still have the right to appeal enforcement actions against them.

Please visit <https://www.kingcounty.gov/services/environment/wastewater/industrial-waste/fees.aspx> to review the new fees. KCIW is available to answer any questions you have about these changes. We are also available to help companies follow best management practices to avoid violations, improve environmental compliance, and reduce costs. Contact us during business hours at 206-477-5300 or email us at info.kciw@kingcounty.gov.

- [Read about KCIW fees](#)

Companies that violate clean water rules receive penalties

How to Avoid Penalties: Late submissions are a frequent and preventable reason for violations and fines. Plan ahead. File your applications and reports on time.

Did you know...?

- Your permit shows your specific deadlines.
- You can [contact King County](#) and ask for an extension to avoid being late.
- You can send your reports electronically to KCIW by emailing info.KCIW@kingcounty.gov.

King County is legally required to report on companies who do not comply with their permit. [Read the fall enforcement ad](#) published in the Seattle Times in October.

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Environmental Management and Compliance (EMC) Section and Permits	Reason for Penalties and Additional Comments
Student Sewerage Corp. KCIW (2019, 2020) Notice of Process issued for failure to submit permit application on time for the San Juan Regional Application.	Notice issued (2019, 2020) for failing to file the required report within 10 days of the due date. The permit application was subsequently reviewed by KCIW for further action.
Event Inc. KCIW (2019, 2020) Notice of Process issued for failure to submit permit application on time for the San Juan Regional Application.	Notice issued (2019, 2020) for failing to file the required report within 10 days of the due date. The permit application was subsequently reviewed by KCIW for further action.
Violation Resulting in Penalty Only	Reason for Penalties and Additional Comments
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Other Violations	Violations or Fines for King County?

EnviroVation Award application deadline Dec. 14

KCIW encourages all permitted facilities to apply for its annual EnviroVation Award for excellence in pretreatment. For a downloadable application, and to learn about the awards criteria, visit www.kingcounty.gov/industrialwaste or contact the program.



Four industrial facilities recognized for their commitment to environmental compliance in 2018

The Commitment-to-Compliance Award honors companies that have received a [Gold Award](#) for five consecutive years.

2018 Awardees:

- Boeing Company - Plant 2 Facility
- Hytek Finishes Co
- King County Solid Waste Division - Algona Transfer Station
- Safeway Inc. - Beverage Plant



[Learn more about the KCIW awards program.](#)

Another way to get recognized for your good work - Sign up for EnviroStars!



EnviroStars is a one-stop shop for Washington businesses to access environmental assistance and [gain recognition](#) for being green. Through the program, businesses can receive free technical assistance, connect with [rebates and resources](#), and follow a clear path to sustainability. Recognized businesses are listed in our [Green Business Directory](#), communicating their environmental commitment to customers, employees and the local community. [Learn More](#)

Why sign up? For one, consumers support sustainable businesses!

More than 70% percent of Puget Sound residents think it's important to buy from environmentally-minded businesses. 90% percent of consumers believe that businesses have a responsibility to help care for the planet, and that sustainable businesses practices should be the standard. Make your customers happy by running your business in an environmentally-friendly way.