



Obtaining a Pool, Spa or Fountain Discharge Permit

Did you know discharges from Pools, Spas and Fountains are no longer allowed to enter the storm drain system in Contra Costa County?

Chlorine, copper, solids and other contaminants can be harmful to creeks, the Bay and the Delta. Storm drains flow directly into these waterways without treatment.

What are your discharge options?

- Discharge to landscape
- Discharge to the sanitary sewer system

In Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, a permit is required to discharge pool, spa or fountain water to the sanitary sewer system.

It is **easy** and **free** to obtain a Pool, Spa or Fountain Discharge Permit. Simply call (925) 229-7288, e-mail sourcecontrol@centralsan.org or fill out the application located on the Special Discharge Permit page of our website: <http://poolapp.centralsan.org/poolDischarge/>. Please be prepared to provide the following information:

- Owner's name, address and phone number
- Preferred method to receive the permit: fax, e-mail address or regular mail
- Physical address of pool, spa or fountain
- Name, address and phone number of the company/person that will be responsible for the discharge (if different from the Owner).
- Proposed date of discharge (please give 48 hours notice)
- Discharge location (sanitary sewer clean-out, floor drain, etc.)
- Number of gallons to be discharged
- Water quality information:
 - Is this a salt water pool?
 - Is there a large amount of solids?
 - What is the pH of the water?
 - Is there copper in the water (e.g. from the use of copper algaecides)?

A staff member from the Source Control section will contact you to obtain any further information, if necessary.

Once the permit is finalized and signed, it will be sent to you via method stated above.

Follow the Standard Conditions set forth in the permit.

Keep a copy of the permit on site during discharge.