

Reduce • Reuse • Recycle

PRACTICE THE THREE Rs

- Reduce your consumption
- Reuse items whenever possible
- Recycle materials to minimize waste

REDUCE & REUSE

SINGLE-USE ITEMS

These are products that become trash after one use. When it comes to single-use items take only what you need.

RE-USABLE ITEMS

- Grocery bags
- Lunch bags
- Washable cloth napkins, sponges, and dishcloths
- Water bottles
- Rechargeable batteries

Borrow, rent, and share things that you don't use often. Donate items to thrift stores or organizations in need.

RECYCLE

The Orote Commissary offers recycling of glass, cans, and cardboard to its residential community.



Community Involvement

PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY CLEANUPS

Join clean-up efforts to remove litter and debris from beaches, parks, and neighborhoods.

PRACTICE SUSTAINABLE FISHING AND OCEAN CONSERVATION

When fishing, follow NBG regulations and guidelines to ensure the protection of marine resources.

Participate in or support initiatives aimed at reducing marine pollution, protecting coral reefs, and preserving marine biodiversity around Guam.

SPREAD THE NEWS

By using Earth-friendly practices and helping others to do the same, we can work towards preserving Guam's natural resources.



TIPS TO PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION



Water Management

MS4 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Naval Base Guam (NBG) has a permit for an **MS4 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**. This program protects community members from pollutants, reduces heat-island effects, provides increased flood protection, adds more green spaces, improves water quality, and provides more habitat for plants and wildlife.

Storm drains are important to help remove excess rain water that does not soak into the ground. As rain flows from rooftops, over paved areas, bare soils, and through sloped lawns, it picks up a variety of pollutants on its way to storm drains. This water heads to Guam's rivers, oceans, and beaches. Water pollution can destroy habitats and harm marine animals and other wildlife.

Stormwater is not treated before it is directly discharged into the waters in which you swim, fish, and surf.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

STORING CHEMICALS

- Keep chemicals, paints, fuels, and oils properly contained with lids and away from storm drain inlets.
- Properly dispose of chemicals at recycling centers.

GARDEN SAFETY

- Limit the use of lawn pesticides and fertilizers, and use environmentally friendly alternatives when possible.
- When mowing the lawn, do not cut the grass too short.
- Limit water usage by using hose nozzles and watering cans.

VEHICLE WASHING

- Use an approved vehicle wash facility whenever possible.
- If you wash your own vehicle, use an approved vehicle wash facility and/or lawn and gravel areas. See the MS4 website link for more information.
- Use biodegradable or non-toxic soap that is phosphate free.

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER

PICK UP AND DISPOSE OF ALL PET WASTE

Pet waste can contain nutrients, harmful bacteria, and parasites. Dispose of waste in a trash bin.

REDUCE USE OF HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS

Do not pour products down the drain, toilet, or into the gutter. Contact the NBG Environmental Office for more information.

PROTECTIVE BARRIERS

Install barriers to prevent soil and debris runoff while doing home improvements.

REPORT POLLUTERS

If you see anyone illegally dumping, report them by contacting the NBG Environmental Office.

HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact the NBG Environmental Office at: (671) 339-4100

Learn more about the NBG MS4 Stormwater Management Program at: <https://jrm.cnmc.navy.mil/Installations/NAVBASE-Guam/About/Departments/Environmental/MS4-Storm-Water-Management-Program/>

