

#### About the town

The town of Gilbert has two separate sewer systems,

- The sanitary sewer collects wastewater from homes, businesses, and industrial sites from sinks, toilets, and other outlets. It goes through pipes to the wastewater treatment plant.
- The storm sewer collects rainwater runoff from the streets for flood control. This stormwater runoff DOES NOT go to a wastewater treatment facility before entering our recreational surface waters. It is transported by drains, streets, gutters, curbs, and open channels directly into retention basins, parks, washes, canals, and community lakes.

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# **Stormwater Pollution Prevention:** Pool & Spa

(For Owners & Contractors)









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# Best Management Practices for Pool and Spa maintenance:

#### **Everyday Maintenance:**

- Store pool chemicals in covered containers with no leaks. Store in a well ventilated, dry area, out of direct sunlight.
- Dispose of leaves and other materials properly, do not put them where they may wash into the storm system.
- Do not overfill pool; allow room for rainfall.
- Do not discharge backwash water into the street or gutter. It should go into the sanitary sewer cleanout.
- Recycle your unused chemicals if necessary at the Household Hazardous Waste Collection

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#### Filter Maintenance and Replacement

- When replacing the filter, sand, diatomaceous earth etc., follow the disposal requirements for each specific material.
- Do NOT clean or rinse filter into the street or gutter.

Remember!

**ONLY RAIN IN THE STORM DRAIN!** 

### Best Management Practices for Pool Draining:

### Follow one of these three options (In order of preference):

- Drain all or a portion of the pool water onto your personal property
- 2. Drain the water into your sanitary sewer cleanout. Sanitary Sewer cleanouts are usually located in the front of your house and will look similar to the photos below. You will have one or two sewer connections. Be aware, they can often be hidden by landscaping.
- 3. Ensure the chemical level is as low as possible and drain into the street. This is your LAST option and only available if: it is allowed by your HOA CC&Rs, your street is not subject to flooding, you do not live in a lake community, you do not have a salt water pool, and/or you do not have a green pool.



\*Sanitary Sewer Cleanout Caps\*

### Best Management Practices for Pool & Spa Construction:

Be sure your contractor knows and follows these practices before starting construction or renovation.

### Manage Sediment Pollution from Excavation by:

- Avoiding excavation during wet weather.
- Removing excavating materials as soon as possible
- Covering piles to prevent sediment erosion.
- Prevent track-out and clean it up if it occurs.
- Dispose of materials properly, nothing should be washed into the street or gutter

