

Commercial/Industrial Questionnaire

The Geauga County Department of Water Resources sets forth the requirements for Commercial and Industrial users of the County Operated Wastewater Treatment and Collection System. The objectives of these requirements are:

- To prevent introducing pollutants that may pass through the wastewater treatment plant or interfere with the operation of the wastewater collection system.
- To enable the County to comply with its Ohio EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES) Permit.
- To protect the Public and Water Resources' Staff

As we are required by the Ohio EPA to renew our NPDES Permit to treat wastewater every five years, we in turn will require ALL Commercial and Industrial Users to update the information we have on file regarding their commercial wastewater discharge. The last request for information was in 2019.

All Commercial and Industrial users must submit a completed questionnaire. Failure to submit the questionnaires will result in unnecessary noncompliant fees being added to your sewer bill. Please submit completed forms by emailing to infowr@geauga.oh.gov or by mail to Department of Water Resources, 12611 Ravenwood Drive, Suite 390, Chardon, OH 44021., Attn: Pretreatment.

If you are the landlord of a multi-unit buildings or plaza, please provide occupant list and/or a sketch of the building showing the commercial activities and vacancies of each unit.

As most commercial accounts that discharge to the wastewater system in Geauga County are Retail (onsite sale of merchandise) and General Business (office, bank) that only produce domestic wastewater, you will only need to fill out the first two pages of the questionnaire, sign and date the last page.

Service and Manufacturing businesses must complete the entire questionnaire. Some examples of Service businesses are restaurants, repair shops, landscapers, car wash, medical, dental, and veterinary. Examples of Manufacturing businesses are industrial, machining, grinding, plating, production, and assembly.

- If you have any pretreatment devices or chemical addition, you must document your pretreatment in Section F of the questionnaire (such as a separator, trap, or biological chemical treatment).
- If you have *any* liquid waste or sludge that is hauled off site for disposal, you must document the waste in Section K of the questionnaire. (used oils, solvents, sludge)

Contact Pretreatment Coordinator at 440-279-1976 or rwalker@geauga.oh.gov with any questions.