

Emergency Spill Response Process

Emergencies:

Emergency Spill Line.....1-800-642-3074

A real person should answer the phone in the WV Dept. of Homeland Security. If there is risk of imminent harm as a result of the spill, **call 911**

What questions will the spill line operator ask?

- Name of caller & call back number (You can remain anonymous & still include a call back #)
- Name of Responsible Party
- Date, Time & location of spill (driving directions or GPS coordinates are helpful)
- Has the spill made it to a waterway & if so, what is the name of stream
- Type and quantity of material spilled

DEP Emergency Spill Response Procedures:

- Inspector goes to spill location to ensure the spill is stopped, contained & properly cleaned up by the responsible party. To verify the site is clean, the inspector may require the responsible party to sample the contaminated area.
- Depending on the how the spill occurred, the inspector may issue a Notice of Violation (NOV) or issue an NOV in conjunction with an Administrative Penalty Order (APO).
- The responsible party may be required to provide DEP a written response explaining how the spill occurred and what measures will be taken to prevent future mishaps.
- If no responsible party is identified, inspector may call upon DEP Elkview Emergency Response Unit.
- Inspector fills out an incident report, and all costs associated with the spill response may be charged to the responsible party.
- All information relating to the incident is public information and can be obtained by filing a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) written request through DEP's Public Information Office1-866-568-6649
 - FOIA request can be made online: <http://www.dep.wv.gov/pio/Pages/FOIA.aspx>
 - or Mail request to: WVDEP PIO 601 57th Street SE Charleston, WV 25304
 - A fee may be assessed for processing the request

Toxic Air Release Reporting & Safety Procedures:

Call the Emergency Spill Line.....1-800-642-3074

Imminent Danger Call.....911

DEP Division of Air Quality does not have an Emergency Response group. Refer to the following for safety procedures:

Local Emergency Planning Committee:.....www.wvdhsem.gov

Federal Emergency Management Agency:.....www.fema.gov