

Consent Decree

In 2011, the City of Dubuque entered into a Consent Decree with the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the State of Iowa. The Decree's Purpose is for the City to:

- Take all ***necessary measures*** to achieve full compliance with the Clean Water Act;
- The Iowa water Pollution Control Laws; and
- The City's NPDES Permit

With the goal of eliminating all Sanitary Sewer Overflows.

Law

Chapter 13-2A-3 (2) Discharge of Harmful Substances

- Any water or waste containing, fats, wax, grease, or oils, whether emulsified or not, in excess of one hundred milligrams per liter (100mg/l) or containing substances which may solidify or become viscous at temperatures between thirty-two (32) and one hundred and forty (140) degrees Fahrenheit , or zero (0) and sixty (60) degrees Celsius.

Under the Code of Federal Regulations: Title 40, Part 403.5 National Pretreatment Standards: Prohibited Discharges.