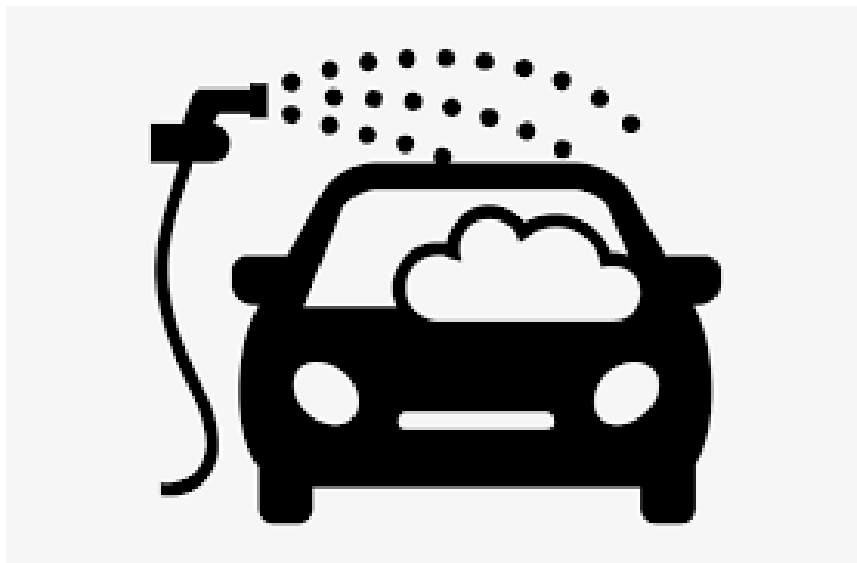


Mobile Detailers

Disposing of detergents and soapy water into streets and gutters can carry harmful pollutants into the storm drain and harm our environment, even if it's labeled *nontoxic or biodegradable*. To avoid disposing of harmful cleaning solutions one can do the following:

- Use a tarp and berm to prevent water from running off when washing a vehicle on paved surfaces.
- Vacuum up any remaining wash water. Wash water should be disposed of in a sink or toilet which drains to the sanitary sewer, or alternatively drained on a grassy/landscaped area.
- Never use engine degreasers or toxic wheel cleaners.
- If you must use a detergent, use one that is *Phosphate Free and Biodegradable*.
- Use as little water as possible.
- Don't let the wash or rinse water run off the site.
- Wash water should never be dumped into the curb, street, or storm drain.



Washing Your Vehicle

Washing vehicles and equipment outdoors on paved surfaces or disposing of soapy water into gutters will cause wash water to enter the storm drain and pollute arroyos, creeks, and the ocean without being treated. Please take the following precautions to help avoid this:

- When possible, take your car to a self or full service commercial car wash. These facilities are designed to re-use water whenever possible and discharge any wastewater into the sanitary sewer, where it is treated before being discharged to the environment.
- Never use engine degreasers or toxic wheel cleaners.
- If you are using a detergent, use one that is *Phosphate Free and Biodegradable*.
- Use as little water as possible.
- Don't let the wash or rinse water run off the site.
- If possible, wash vehicle or equipment on a grassy area to help prevent run off.

