



City of Boca Raton
MS4 NPDES Program
Standard Operating Procedures
Pesticide, Herbicide & Fertilizer Minimization

In accordance with our MS4 permit, the City of Boca Raton continues to endeavor to minimize its use of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on public property. The procedures used to achieve this are as follows:

Pesticides & Herbicides:

Application contractors, as well as City personnel that apply pesticides and/or herbicides are required to provide proof of certification and licensing by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) for the application of pesticides and herbicides.

Fertilizers:

City personnel that apply fertilizers must demonstrate proof of training through the Green Industry BMP Program.

Contractors hired to apply fertilizers must demonstrate proof of training through the Green Industry BMP Program, AND must provide proof of a "limited certification for urban landscape commercial fertilizer application under Section 482.1562, F.S."

Golf Course(s):

City golf courses are operated in a manner consistent with the "Best Management Practices for the Enhancement of the Environmental Quality on Florida Golf Courses" manual (FDEP, 2007).

Documentation:

A list is maintained of all personnel and contractors who have received FDACS training, licensing, and certification, for pesticide and/or herbicide application.

A list is maintained of all personnel who have received training through the GI BMP program.

A list is maintained of all contractors who have received training, licensing, and certification, as required, through the GI BMP program.