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Montgomery County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Review

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Circle the most correct answer(s).

1. What should you do if you realize that a hazardous material is being released into the area?

- a. Walk by and do nothing
- b. Call 911, keep others away until help arrives**
- c. Drive by as quickly as possible
- d. Move closer to see if you can identify the hazardous material

2. What is the best way to respond to a liquid spill?

- a. Apply absorbent material to soak up the liquid, then sweep up**
- b. Use a hose to wash the liquid into a storm drain
- c. Call your friends to tell them how clumsy you are
- d. Call your supervisor and tell him about the spill and the actions you have taken

3. You are about to grind a piece of metal in the shop. How do you prevent pollution?

- a. Hide so no one sees you working
- b. Sweep the floor when you finish, then dispose of the dust and metal particles properly**
- c. Eat lunch first to keep metal particles out of your sandwich
- d. Nothing

4. You are about to grind a piece of metal outdoors. How do you prevent pollution?

- a. Use a tarp under the work area to collect the dust and particles**
- b. Nothing
- c. Use a magnet to collect the particles and leave the dust alone
- d. Cover the particles with dirt

5. You see a drum on its side and liquid is pouring out. What should your first action be?

- a. Throw a match in to see if the liquid is flammable
- b. Call your supervisor and tell him he needs to clean up the spill
- c. Stop the spill by turning the drum upright IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO, IF NOT, CALL 911**
- d. Wait for the drum to empty

6. What are the practices that reduce or prevent pollution called?
 - a. EPAs or environmental protection agencies
 - b. BMPs or best management practices
 - c. Outfalls
 - d. Spill Kits

7. How should bulk materials be stored?
 - a. Where wind can blow it away
 - b. Where rain can wash it away
 - c. In a closed container
 - d. Under a roof or covered by a tarp

8. What do you do about a leaking drum?
 - a. Take the drum outside
 - b. Put the leaking drum inside a containment drum then clean up the spill
 - c. Transfer the contents to a non-leaking drum then clean up the spill
 - d. Don't do anything; it will take care of itself

9. Your vehicle is leaking oil. What should you do?
 - a. Nothing. Leaks in parking lots are normal
 - b. Keep adding oil as necessary so you can keep using the vehicle
 - c. Move your vehicle to an unpaved area, so the oil is absorbed by the dirt
 - d. Put a drip pan under the vehicle to catch the leaking oil and get the vehicle fixed as soon as possible

10. You are applying fertilizer to your lawn and notice that some has gotten onto the sidewalk, what do you do?
 - a. Sweep up the fertilizer and use it somewhere else
 - b. Leave it alone
 - c. Use a hose to wash it into a storm drain
 - d. Wait for the sidewalk to start growing

11. Your neighbor is pouring used motor oil into a storm drain, what should you do?
 - a. Nothing, you don't want to cause problems
 - b. Help him hose the waste oil into the storm drain
 - c. Report him for making an illicit discharge
 - d. Ask him to change your oil

12. What is the best pollution prevention BMP?
 - a. Structural
 - b. Non-structural
 - c. Your supervisor
 - d. You

13. What is stormwater?
 - a. Water from vehicle washing
 - b. Tap water
 - c. Water that flows over the ground during and after it rains
 - d. Creek water that is gray or cloudy

14. You are driving by a small stream and the water is red. What should you do?
- Take a picture
 - Stop and wade in the water
 - Report the condition to your supervisor as soon as possible
 - Start drinking bottled water
15. You are working at a jobsite in the county and notice that some people are using a backhoe to scoop gravel from a stream bed. What should you do?
- Ignore it and do nothing
 - Note the time and place, a description and license plate numbers of the vehicles, take a picture and call your supervisor IF SAFE TO DO SO
 - Offer to let them use a tarp so they can store the gravel properly
 - Ask if they deliver
16. What is the best way to get rid of empty paint cans?
- Throw them in the river
 - Throw them out on the side of the road
 - Put them in the Wal-Mart dumpster
 - Store them in a closed, leak-proof container and dispose of them at the landfill as hazardous waste
17. If you see someone dumping trash, who should you call?
- The local TV station
 - Your best friend
 - The Police/Sherriff
 - No one, I don't want to get involved
18. Your work truck is dirty. You decide to wash it out. Do you:
- Park near the stream so that the dirt can run off into the water?
 - Park near a storm drain so that all the dirt and debris runs into the drain?
 - Leave it for someone else to deal with.
 - Wash it under a covered roof where the water drains to an oil separator and then to the sewer treatment plant.
19. You are driving your route in the county, and you notice a hose coming from a local business into a nearby storm drain. What should you do?
- Nothing, discharging to storm drains is totally legal.
 - Take the address down, a picture of the hose into the drain, and report it to your supervisor.
 - Dump your leftover paint in the drain with the hose.
 - Ask the business owner if they can give you a free oil change.
20. Which of the following are considered good housekeeping practices?
- Sweeping up outdoor work areas
 - Keeping unused containers closed and sealed
 - Protecting materials from exposure to the weather
 - Secondary containment structures
21. When can tools or equipment be cleaned over a storm drain inlet or in a drainage ditch?
- During dry weather
 - If your supervisor approves it
 - If the tool or equipment are cleaned with water only, no detergents or solvents
 - None of the above

22. When using an outdoor solid waste receptacle, which of the following is required?
- a. Leave lids or covers closed when not in use
 - b. Move the receptacle indoors
 - c. Locate the receptacle on bare ground
 - d. None of the above
23. Which of the following can cause stormwater pollution?
- a. Spilled or leaking diesel fuel
 - b. An open container of paint
 - c. A metal grinding operation
 - d. All of the above
24. If a piece of equipment is to be greased outdoors, which of the following would prevent pollution?
- a. Perform the operation during dry weather
 - b. Spread a drop cloth underneath the equipment
 - c. Wear safety glasses and gloves
 - d. All of the above
25. If a vehicle must be washed outside, how should this be done?
- a. On a fully contained impervious pad
 - b. On a grassy area with biodegradable detergent
 - c. Over a storm drain
 - d. In or next to a stream
26. If a piece of equipment is leaking hydraulic fluid, what should be done?
- a. Drain it immediately
 - b. Notify the supervisor
 - c. Use a drip pan to catch the leaking fluid and absorbent material to clean up the spilled liquid.
 - d. None of the above