



Pretreatment & Pollution Prevention (P3) Division Condensate Policy

Condensate discharge to the sanitary sewer is prohibited, unless approved by HRSD's P3 Division. Most condensate is viewed as unpolluted water and per Section 301 of the HRSD Industrial Wastewater Discharge Regulations these waste streams are prohibited.

Condensate from new construction is not allowed to be connected to the sanitary sewer. Existing facilities or facilities going through a remodel or rehab, the cost to route or reroute the discharge lines to the storm sewer must be calculated, along with a Professional Engineer (PE) estimate of the discharge volume. HRSD can opt to allow discharge to the sanitary sewer depending on the volume and cost to route or reroute the condensate lines to the storm sewer. Approved condensate discharges to the sanitary sewer are billed on the annual wastewater volume. For approval, HRSD requires the following information:

- Physical address of project location
- Cost estimate to route or reroute the condensate discharge to the storm sewer
- Calculation(s) of the condensate discharge per year (must be stamped by a PE)
- HRSD account number(s) associated with the project and/or water meter information (to include serial number)
- Contact information (name, title, address) for who the approval letter will need to be mailed to if approval is given. At a minimum, HRSD prefers the building owners' information as they are the ones that will be receiving the annual charges on the wastewater bill.

All air compressor condensate should be routed to the sanitary sewer if an oil sheen is present or suspected to be in the discharge. An oil/water separator must be installed and maintained for this condensate stream. Condensate that comes into contact, or has a strong potential to come into contact, with food, chemicals or other pollutants, may be routed to the sanitary sewer if the discharge can meet local limitations and the chemicals associated with the condensate is approved by the HRSD P3 Division.