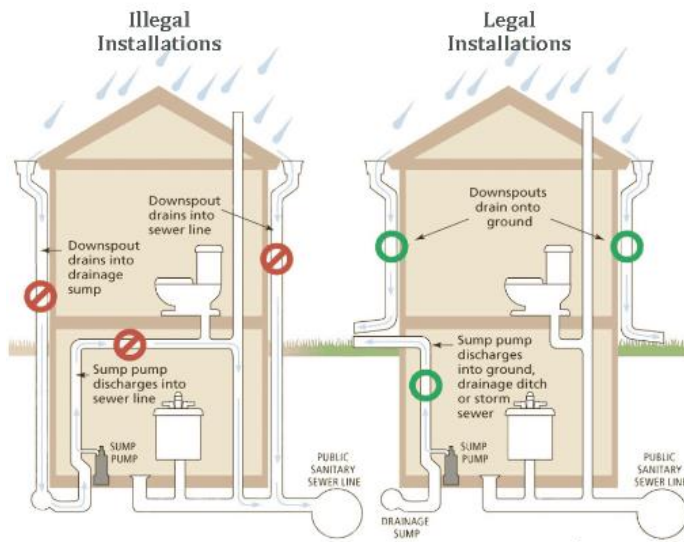


It is Illegal for Sump Pumps and Roof Drains to be Connected

to the Sanitary Sewer System



Do Your Part!

As few as 200 homes with sump pumps running for only 10 minutes per hour can discharge almost 2 million gallons into the sanitary sewer system!!

Excess water can quickly overload the wastewater system causing overflows and increased treatment costs. A heavy rain drastically increases the sewer flows.

The City of Dakota City has been making significant investments in the rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer collection system in recent years. Although the rehabilitation of sewer lines and manholes plays a significant role in preventing infiltration, **ONLY YOU** can stop the inflow from sump pumps and stormwater connections from your home or business!

Know the Consequences

Sump pumps, in addition to roof drains and foundation drains, connected to the Dakota City sanitary sewer system is in violation of Dakota City Code 95.04. Furthermore, the Wastewater Treatment System's NPDES permit, administered by the Iowa DNR, specifically prohibits the City from allowing stormwater/groundwater into the sanitary sewer system. Therefore, it is important for stormwater, surface water, groundwater or water discharged from a sump pump to be directed to an appropriate location and not to the sanitary sewer. If you are unsure of your situation or would like additional information please feel free to contact City Hall 515-332-3083.