

# Play it **SAFE** with **Sewer** **Overflows:**

## What You Need To Know:

In many areas of Louisville Metro, sewage and stormwater runoff flow into the same sewer pipe. When these sewers get too full, the excess overflows into local waterways.

Surface waters near your home may be subject to sewer overflows during wet weather. Sewage contains bacteria that could cause illness if ingested. MSD wants to ensure your safety during a sewer overflow.

## We ask you to follow these simple rules:



- Avoid contact with creeks, streams, drainage ditches and standing water during and 48 hours after a rainfall. Don't swim, fish or play in water until at least 48 hours after rain has ended.

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- Always keep children and pets out of ponds, creeks, streams, drainage ditches and other places that might receive sewer overflows.
- If you come in contact with sewage, *wash with warm, soapy water*, especially before handling food.

MSD is working to improve the city's sewer system. Areas of overflow have already been reduced and will continue to diminish as our program progresses. In the meantime, we ask you to follow these simple safety precautions to protect your health and the health of your children and pets.

For additional information, call (502) 587-0603 or visit the MSD Web site at [www.msdlouky.org](http://www.msdlouky.org) to register for automatic e-mail notifications.



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