

Sanitary Sewer vs Storm Sewer

What's the difference?

Sanitary Sewer includes “dirty” water from:

- Bathrooms
- Kitchens
- Sinks
- Toilets
- Showers
- washers
- other plumbing sources

Sanitary Sewer flows to:

- a wastewater treatment plant where pollutants are removed

Storm Sewer includes “clear” water from:

- rainfall
- snowmelt
- streets
- curbing
- gutters
- catch basins
- other outdoor sources

Storm Sewer flows without treatment to:

- Lakes, streams and other waterways

