

What we can do at home

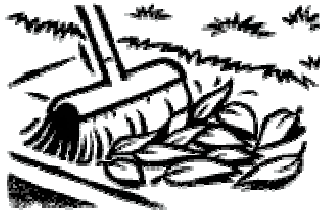
In the Garden

Do

- sweep the gutters and driveways regularly and place the sweepings on the garden, compost or in the bin
- prevent soil or mulch from being washed or blown off the garden
- rake up leaves or lawn clippings and use them as mulch on the garden or place them in the compost
- grass or re-plant areas of disturbed soil
- consider natural alternatives to pest control chemicals

Don't

- don't hose dirt off hard surfaces (roads, paths, driveways) into gutters
- don't hose leaves and grass clippings into gutters
- don't pile sand and soil on areas where it can wash into the stormwater system
- don't overuse chemicals (pesticides and herbicides) that could be washed into stormwater from the garden or yard
- don't use too much fertiliser



In the Street

Do

- pick up litter in the park or on the street
- clean up pet droppings and dispose of them in the garden, rubbish bins, or in the toilet.

Don't

- don't drop packaging or cigarette butts on the ground
- don't leave rubbish where bins are already full



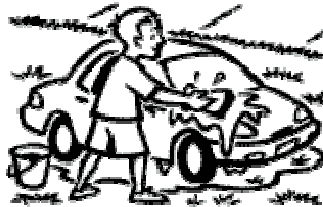
With the Car

Do

- maintain the car, making sure there are no leaks and that fuel is burnt 'cleanly' by keeping your car tuned
- use the minimum amount of detergent for cleaning outside, and wash your car on the grass or on gravel. A better option is to take your car to a car wash, where the water is recycled.

Don't

- don't work on your car (including oil changing) in a place where oil and grease may wash into gutters
- don't wash the car in the street using detergent



Renovating

Do

- wash brushes and rollers over a sand filter on the lawn
- keep paint, turps and solvents clear of gutters or drain
- reuse turps once the paint has settled
- allow unused paint to dry out and then put it in the bin

Don't

- don't wash out cement mixers or barrows so that the waste flows into street drain
- don't hose sand, gravel or cement into the gutter
- don't leave piles of sand or gravel uncovered where it could wash or blow into the gutter

