

Village of Merrimac, Tips of the Month--April 2013

GROUND WATER:

Residents that run sump pumps in wet basements during high-precipitation and snow-melt periods: please discharge your water onto your yard or into the storm sewer (gutter) and *NOT into the sanitary sewer system*. Unnecessary sanitary treatment of clear runoff/groundwater wastes the Village's limited resources.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE:

Suggest all Village residents stand back and assess your property's overall condition; if you see things in a state of disrepair, others also see this. Please take appropriate actions to spruce up your property so our Village looks great to everyone!

BURNING:

Per Chapter 102-3 of the Village Code: "...it is prohibited to burn garbage, toxic materials, plastic, petroleum products of any kind, rubber, tires or any other high-odor materials." In consideration of your neighbors, if you use a burn barrel (as required by the ordinance), do not burn wet leaves or grass, or allow smoldering fires to "smoke up" your neighborhood. Your neighbors will appreciate your consideration.