



# FLOGARD® TRENCH DRAIN FILTER

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## Inspection and Maintenance Guide

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## **SCOPE:**

Federal, State and Local Clean Water Act regulations and those of insurance carriers require that stormwater filtration systems be maintained and serviced on a recurring basis. The intent of the regulations is to ensure that the systems, on a continuing basis, efficiently remove pollutants from stormwater runoff thereby preventing pollution of the nation's water resources. These specifications apply to the FloGard® LoPro Trench Drain Filter.

## **RECOMMENDED FREQUENCY OF SERVICE:**

Drainage Protection Systems (DPS) recommends that installed FloGard LoPro Trench Drain Filters be serviced on a recurring basis. Ultimately, the frequency depends on the amount of runoff, pollutant loading and interference from debris (leaves, vegetation, cans, paper, etc.); however, it is recommended that each installation be serviced a minimum of three times per year, with a change of filter medium once per year. DPS technicians are available to do an onsite evaluation, upon request.

## **RECOMMENDED TIMING OF SERVICE:**

DPS guidelines for the timing of service are as follows:

1. For areas with a definite rainy season: Prior to, during and following the rainy season.
2. For areas subject to year-round rainfall: On a recurring basis (at least three times per year).
3. For areas with winter snow and summer rain: Prior to and just after the snow season and during the summer rain season.
4. For installed devices not subject to the elements (washracks, parking garages, etc.): On a recurring basis (no less than three times per year).

## **SERVICE PROCEDURES:**

1. The trench drain grate(s) shall be removed and set to one side.
2. The service shall commence with collection and removal of sediment and debris (litter, leaves, papers, cans, etc.).
3. The trench drain shall be visually inspected for defects and possible illegal dumping. If illegal dumping has occurred, the proper authorities and property owner representative shall be notified as soon as practicable.
4. Using an industrial vacuum, the collected materials shall be removed from the filter liner. (Note: DPS uses a truck-mounted vacuum for servicing FloGard LoPro Trench Drain Filters.)
5. When all of the collected materials have been removed, the filter assembly shall be removed from the drainage inlet. The outer filter liner shall be removed from the filter assembly and filter medium pouches shall be removed by unsnapping the tether from the interior ring and sent to one side. The filter liner, PVC body and fittings shall be inspected for continued serviceability. Minor damage or defects found shall be corrected on the spot and a notation made on the Maintenance Record. More extensive deficiencies that affect the efficiency of the filter (torn liner, etc.), if approved by the customer representative, will be corrected and a quote submitted to the representative along with the Maintenance Record.
6. The filter liner and filter medium pouches shall be inspected for defects and continued serviceability and replaced as necessary and the pouch tethers re-attached to the PVC body interior ring.
7. The grate(s) shall be replaced.

## **REPLACEMENT AND DISPOSAL OF EXPOSED FILTER MEDIUM AND COLLECTED DEBRIS**

The frequency of filter medium exchange will be in accordance with the existing DPS-Customer Maintenance Contract. DPS recommends that the medium be changed at least once per year. During the appropriate service, or if so determined by the service technician during a non-scheduled service, the filter medium pouches will be replaced. Once the exposed pouches and debris have been removed, DPS has possession and must dispose of it in accordance with local, state and federal agency requirements.

**DPS also has the capability of servicing all manner of storm drain filters, catch basin inserts and catch basins without inserts, underground oil/water separators, stormwater interceptors and other such devices. All DPS personnel are highly qualified technicians and are confined space trained and certified. Call us at (888) 950-8826 for further information and assistance.**

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