Managing Oil Spills

You dump it, you drink it.

How to manage oil spills:

1. Take steps to prevent spills. Keep machinery, equipment, containers and tanks in good working condition and be careful when transferring used motor oil. Have clean-up materials, such as rags, booms or sand, readily available.

2. Stop the oil from flowing at the source. If a leak from a container or tank cannot be stopped, put the oil in another holding container.

3. Contain spilled oil. Spread sand or other clean-up materials over the oil and surrounding area.

4. Clean up and recycle used motor oil. Remove the used oil from any clean-up materials, don’t mix it with anything and send it to a re-refiner when possible.

5. Remove, repair or replace the defective tank or container immediately.