

## Reporting environmental incidents to the CVM

Environmental incident: an event that (suddenly and unexpectedly) causes or threatens to cause damage, danger or disturbance to the environment. Examples include unintended emissions or consequences for the environmental aspects of air, odor, (ground) water, noise, soil or external safety. In other words, an incident occurs when:

- a hazardous substance has been released.
- a foreign substance has entered the soil (i.e., in the outside areas or the first floor and basement of a building).
- a hazardous substance or any other substance that could interfere with the operation of the sewage system or sewage treatment facility has entered the sewage system.
- a fire or explosion has occurred.
- a lot of noise can be heard.
- an odor can be detected.

When one (or more) of these issues occur, it is possible that an environmental incident has taken place. These incidents must be reported to the CVM.

Beyond reporting to the CVM, measures to prevent any further spread must be taken immediately at all times in order to minimize the impact of the environmental incident.

In the case of a serious incident in which emergency services are required, the TU/e Campus' general emergency number should be called first: (040-247) 2222.

After taking measures (and possibly calling in the emergency services), the environmental incident must be reported to the CVM as quickly as possible, even if the incident has been reported via the emergency number of the TU/e Campus. This should preferably be reported via [tue.nl/cvm](https://tue.nl/cvm). Another possibility is to report the incident by email\* ([acm@tue.nl](mailto:acm@tue.nl)).

Depending on the nature of the incident, the CVM will determine the next steps and possibly contact you.

\*) Details of the report:

- Details of the person reporting the incident
- Organization
- Incident location
- Incident description:
  - Cause
  - Substances
  - Quantities
  - Measures taken
  - Measures to be taken, if any, to prevent this incident in the future