

Keep Your Pipes Clear of FOG

What is FOG?

Fats-Oils-Grease can come from meat fats, cooking oil, butter, lard, mayonnaise, salad dressing, sauces, gravy, and more.

Can I Prevent FOG Buildup?

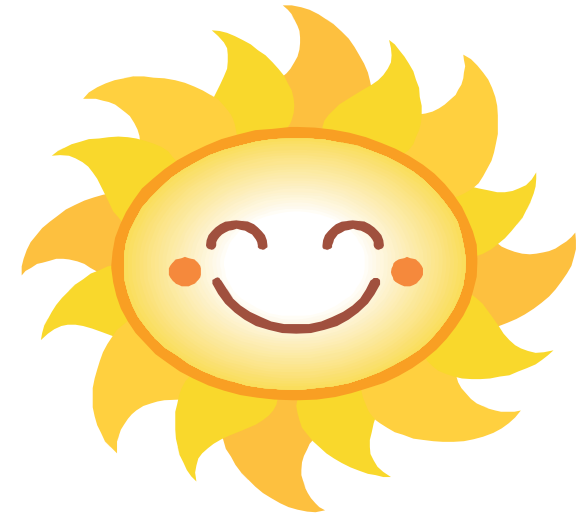
Absolutely!!! See the reverse side of this flyer for tips on preventing FOG buildup.

Why is FOG bad?

FOG can build up creating clogs in your pipes which can cause costly repairs. FOG can also build up in the City's wastewater systems. This build up can also create clogs that can cause extensive damage to the infrastructure AND hurt the environment.

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- ◆ Cool down your cooking oil, grease and fat and pour them into a cover container. These covered containers can be placed in the trash can with your regular garbage or taken to the Lockhart Recycling Center.
- ◆ Scrape food scraps from dishes into garbage bags and dispose of properly. Avoid using your garbage disposal.
- ◆ Don't pour cooking oil or grease down the drain.
- ◆ Don't pour cooking oil or grease on the ground, in your yard, or in the street.
- ◆ Wipe off excess oil and grease from dishes before you wash them—you will use less soap and decrease clogs.
- ◆ Don't use cloth towels or rags to scrape plates or clean greasy oily dishes. When you wash the cloth, the grease will end up in the sewer.
- ◆ Cover kitchen sink with catch basket and empty into garbage can.
- ◆ Prewash dishes and pans with cold water before putting them in the dishwasher. DO NOT rinse with hot water. Hot water melts the fats, oils, and grease (FOG) off the dishes and into the sewer pipes. Later on in the sewer, the hot water will cool and the FOG will clog the pipes.

Lockhart Recycling Center Accepts FOG

In an effort to recycle and reduce grease and cooking oils from entering our wastewater systems, a collection tank has been placed at the Lockhart Recycling Center. Just simply bring your used cooking oil and grease to the Recycling Center. All you have to do is place the used cooking oil and grease in the designated areas. City staff will then pour the material into the collection tank. Once the tank is full, a collector will collect the material to be recycled into products from animal feeds to ingredients used in consumer and industrial products like soaps, cosmetics, rubber and plastics.



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