

FATS, OILS, & GREASE

Fats, Oils, and Grease are collectively called “FOG.” FOG comes from sources such as:

- Cooking oil
- Butter
- Shortening
- Dairy products
- Bacon grease
- Lard
- Meat fats
- Gravy
- Food scraps
- Salad dressings

When FOG gets washed down sinks, toilets, or other household drains, it enters the sanitary sewer. Over time, FOG buildup can block the sewer line and cause the sewer to back up into the streets, yards, or even homes!



Fat
Oil &
Grease
Build Up



Sanitary Sewer backups release harmful bacteria into the environment that can pollute waterways, cause noxious odor in neighborhoods, and harm other infrastructure.

You can prevent FOG from clogging your homes drains and the sanitary sewer by doing the following:

- Pour cooled fats, oil and grease into a jar or another container and dispose of it in the trash.
- Scrape food, fats, oils & grease in the garbage before washing dishes.
- Wipe down greasy pots and pans with paper towels before washing them.



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