

## What is FOG?

Fats, Oils and Greases are organic polar compounds derived from animal and/or plant sources that contain multiple carbon chain triglyceride molecules.

### Protect Your Home

- DO: Put oil and grease in collection containers.
- DO: Remove oil and grease from kitchen utensils, food preparation areas, etc.
- DO: Keep grease out of wash water.
- DO: Place food scrapes in collection containers.
- DON'T: Pour oil and grease down drains.
- Wash fryers, pots, pans or plates with water until oil and grease is removed.
- Use hot water to rinse off surfaces.

Put food scrapes down the drain.



## FOG

### Fats, Oils and Greases

What are Fats, Oils and Greases?  
What problems do they cause?  
How should we dispose of them?

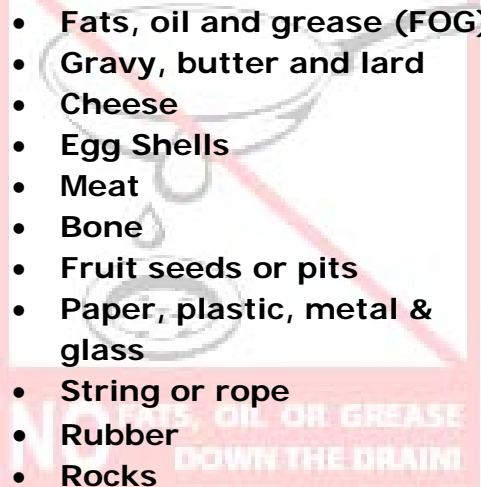


Fats, Oils and Greases get into the sewer system from household kitchen drains and restaurant drains. Blockage in sanitary sewer lines can cause **major** problems, including:

- Sewage backing up into your home.
- Sewage overflowing into yards and streets.
- Potential contact with disease-causing microorganisms.
- Expensive clean-up for you to pay.
- Increase in maintenance and operation costs for the Town of Stanley and ultimately, the customers.

## Protect Your Pipes!

### Keep Out of the Drain:

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- **Fats, oil and grease (FOG)**
  - **Gravy, butter and lard**
  - **Cheese**
  - **Egg Shells**
  - **Meat**
  - **Bone**
  - **Fruit seeds or pits**
  - **Paper, plastic, metal & glass**
  - **String or rope**
  - **Rubber**
  - **Rocks**

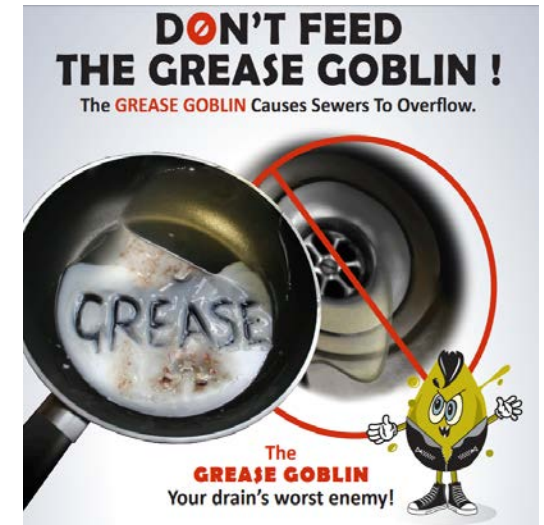
## DID YOU KNOW...

- Most sanitary sewer backups occur between your home and the Town's sewer main?
- You can help prevent costly and unsanitary overflow by following a few simple steps.
- Each year there are more than 15,000 sewer overflows in NC.
- Many sewer overflows are directly related to the improper disposal of oil and grease from restaurant and home kitchen drains.

## Cleanup

Dry cleanup is typically the most effective method for the cleanup of FOG.

Remove food waste with "dry" methods such as scraping, wiping, or sweeping before using "wet" methods that use water. Wet methods typically wash the water and waste materials into the drains where it eventually collects on the interior walls of the drainage pipes.



## Have Questions?

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