

Don't pour it down the drain...

Grease goes in the garbage!

Grease, fats, oils and gravy that go down your sink, toilet or garbage disposal can stick to the inside of your kitchen drain and City sewer pipes.

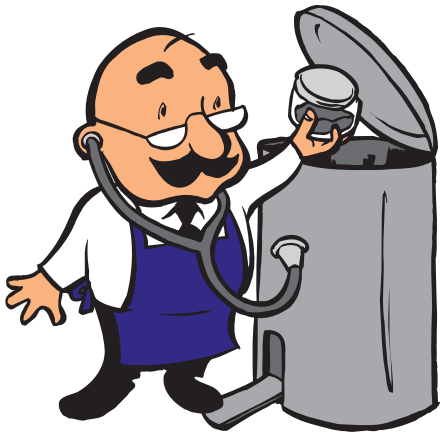


What can happen?

- Unpleasant, messy, expensive sewer backups into your home.
- City sewers back up and overflow into yards, streets or parks, creating a health hazard.
- Sewer overflows reach the stormwater system, flowing into waterways untreated.

What can you do?

- **Collect excess grease and cooking oil** from plates or pans and put it in a leftover milk, juice or food container (such as a tin can or plastic tub). Then seal it in a plastic bag and put it in the garbage.
- **Wipe pots and dishes** with a used paper towel or napkin to remove any oil and grease.
- **Put greasy food or fat trimmings in the trash, not down the garbage disposal.**
- **Recycle large amounts of cooking oil**, such as from deep-fat fryers, for free at **City of Tacoma Household Hazardous Waste Facility**, 3510 S. Mullen St. Call 591-5418 for hours and information.



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