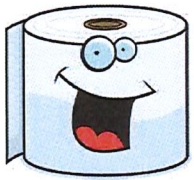
Disposal Do's and Don'ts!

Toilets

Do's

- Toilet Paper
- Human Waste



Don'ts

- "Disposable" wipes
- Paper Towels
- Feminine Products
- Cotton Balls
- Dental Floss
- Diapers

Sinks

Do's

- Water
- Soap
- Non-grease liquids

Don'ts

- Lard
- Grease
- Oil
- Food Scraps
- Dressings/Sauces
- Dairy Products

THANK YOU for keeping our Town clean through your cooperation of this matter.

Town of Bryson City

With any questions or concerns please contact us at our town office.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR CUSTOMERS!

We Need Your Help

Help stop FOG from entering your home and **costing you money.**

Fats

Oils

Grease

Help stop FOG from entering your local sanitary sewer system and the environment.

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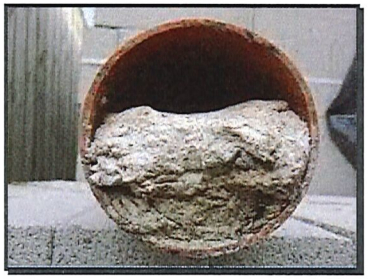
What is FOG?

FOG is fats, oils, and grease that can build up in sewer lines. When grease is washed down the sink or toilet it hardens and coats the inside of the sewer pipes.



Grease clogging a sewer pipe

Why should we reduce FOG?

FOG leads to sewer backups and overflows that can lead to costly damage inside your home, increased sewer rates, along with health and environmental hazards.

- Stop Sewer overflows into your home, yard, streets and storm drains.
- Avoid spending money on costly cleanups of sewage spills and regulatory fines.
- Reduce the number of times you have to clean your pipes.
- Reduce possible rate increases.

Did You Know?

Hot water and detergents do NOT dissolve grease. The grease passes through the pipes and eventually hardens inside the pipes!

Sewer backing up through a toilet

How can you help?

- Never pour oil and grease down the sink, toilet or any drains.
- Put used grease into a closed container then dispose of it in the trash.
- Before washing wipe greasy pots and pans with a dry paper towel then dispose in the trash.
- Avoid using the garbage disposal.
- Do NOT run hot water and detergent to wash grease down the sink!

Fun Fact!

Keep drains clean by pouring half cup baking soda down the drain followed by half cup vinegar. Wait 10 to 15 minutes and then rinse with hot water.

How FOG costs you.

When **FOG** builds up in the sewer system it can cause major damage to the pipes and cause major blockages leading to costly maintenance for you or our Town. When damage is caused due to sewer backups and overflows within your home, on your side of the sewer line, you are responsible for any restoration within your house. At the sewer plant there are many chemicals and treatments that have to be used in order to properly treat the water. When there is **FOG** build up it costs more to treat the water therefore increasing your sewer rates.

Do businesses contribute to FOG?

Yes, commercial businesses, such as restaurants, play a major part in the build up of **FOG** in the sewer lines. Restaurants are required to install grease traps that dispose of large amounts of grease properly. It is important that employees are trained to dispose of grease in the proper way due to the large usage of grease and dairy products within food service. Regulations and inspections are required to keep the amount of **FOG** passed through the lines at a minimum.

Backup is not only caused by FOG.

The sewer line's main use is to pass water and human waste to the waste water treatment plant. When non-flushable items are passed through the lines it can also cause blockages and issues before and after it reaches the plant. Items such as rags, feminine products, plastic, etc. should not be flushed down the toilet ever.

Keeping our community a clean and healthy place to live is important to the Town of Bryson City.

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