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## How To Prevent Sanitary Sewer Clogs From Happening To You!

When fats, oils, and grease from daily kitchen use are poured into drains, either in homes or businesses, it can solidify in your pipes and cause costly sewer blockages and overflows. This can potentially damage homes, cause raw sewage to backup into city streets, threaten public health, and cause damage to the environment. The easiest way to solve the problem of grease blockage is to keep grease out of the drains in the first place.

**Follow these easy steps to protect your plumbing and the environment:**

1. **DO NOT** put grease down garbage disposals!



2. Scrape food scraps into a can or trash for disposal. Put baskets or strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids. Empty the drain baskets or strainers into the trash.



3. For small amounts of oil or grease pre-wipe pots and pans prior to washing them by using paper towels to soak it up. Then dispose in the trash.



4. For amounts ranging from a cup to a pint, pour the grease or oil into a container and freeze it. Put the frozen grease into the trash the day your trash is collected. Try to use a non-recyclable container if possible. If you have none available, a tin or steel can will work.



5. For moderate amounts, from a pint to a gallon, use cat litter to solidify the grease or oil. Put the cat litter in a double-lined plastic bag and pour the grease into the bag. Be sure there is no free liquid before tying the bag shut.