

## Can the Grease!

*And keep our pipes running clean*

Place FOG (Fats, Oils, and Grease) in a can and dispose of it in the trash



### Did you know?

If every person in Baton Rouge poured just **one teaspoon** of FOG down the drain, it would be the equivalent of dumping more than **ten 55-gallon drums** of FOG into the sewer



### CAN THE GREASE IN FOUR SIMPLE STEPS!

**STEP 1: POUR IT** - Pour all grease into an empty can

**STEP 2: CAP IT** - Cover the can with a "Can the Grease" reusable lid. The lid is designed to fit varying sizes of cans.

**STEP 3: COOL IT** - Store the covered can until solidified

**STEP 4: TRASH IT** - Remove the reusable "Can the Grease" lid and throw away the can in the garbage

Do not pour grease down the kitchen drain or any other sewage pipe that could cause a messy backup in your home and damage to the sewer system. You can secure the grease in the can with plastic wrap and a rubber band when you trash it to keep the grease from leaking into the garbage can. The "Can the Grease" lid is dishwasher safe and can be used over and over again.

**Pick up your FREE reusable lid at DES, located at 345 Chippewa St, Baton Rouge**



City of Baton Rouge/  
Parish of East Baton Rouge Parish,  
Department of Environmental Services

# OPERATION: FIGHT FOG



Call the Department of Environmental  
Services' Environmental Division at  
225-389-5456

## FOG: Questions and Answers

### Q: What's FOG?

A: FOG, or Fats, Oils, and Grease, often come from fats leftover from food preparation, packaged, foods, and food scraps.

### Q: Where does FOG come from?

A: Food, including dairy products, butters, lard, margarine, meat fats and juices, cooking oils, shortening dressing, and sauces.

### Q: Why shouldn't FOG go down drains?

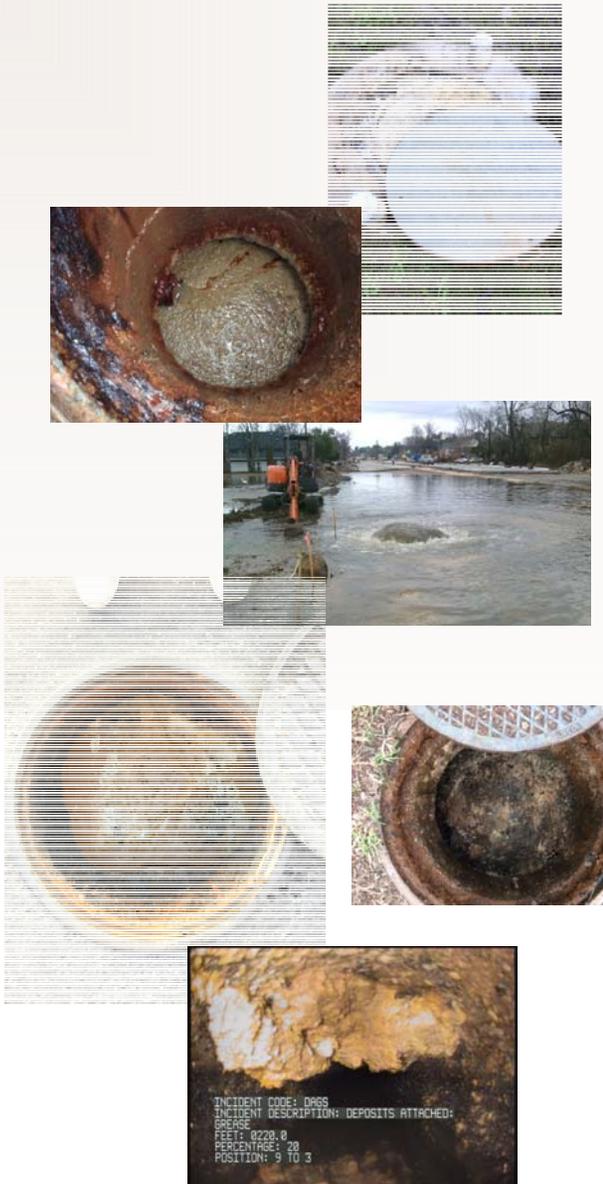
A: FOG sticks to the inside of sewer pipes. Over time, this builds up, restricting flow and blocking the flow in the pipes. This results in sewer backups and sewer overflows not only in streets but on residential property.

### Q: How does FOG affect me?

A: Improper FOG disposal leads to costly sewer backups and overflows, increased sewer rates, public health and environmental hazards as it washes down storm drains and into bays, water ways, and creeks.



## What FOG Looks Like



## FOG= Fats, Oils, and Grease

### Q: What can I do?

A: Below are the Dos and Don'ts to keep Fats, Oils, and Grease out of our sewer system.

- ✓ DO Wipe down greasy pots and pans with a dry paper towel and dispose of it in your garbage.
- ✗ Do NOT pour FOG down the garbage disposal or sink drain.
- ✗ Do NOT use hot water to wash the grease down the drain.
- ✓ DO pour cooled oil, fats, and grease into a can or other container with a tight lid (coffee can, glass jar, or plastic container) and dispose of it in the garbage.
- ✓ DO use baskets or strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids—and dispose of them in the trash.
- ✓ DO drop off large amounts of FOG at a local grease recycler, especially if you have a turkey fryer during the holiday season and have a large amount of left over oil.

