Follow these simple steps for clog-free drains:



1. Pour or scrape grease from pots and pans into a can.



2. Store the can in your refrigerator.



3. When the can is full and the grease is chilled solid, throw it in the garbage.



4. Pour used liquid frying oil into containers that can be capped and thrown in the garbage. 1915 Grubb Ferry Road • Salisbury, NC 28144 www.salisburync.gov/utilities/fog







Fat, Oil, Grease, and Wax (FOG) Control Program



Protecting Your Pipes From Grease



Pour used cooking grease in a can and you will:

- Prevent grease clogs in your drains
- Save on plumber's bills
- Enjoy less aggravation



Why can't I just pour grease down the drain?

Grease coats the insides of the drain and sewer pipes. Over time, the grease builds up until it blocks the pipe. When this happens, the drain backs up into the house. If the clog is in a sewer pipe, raw sewage can back up into your house!

For more information about the grease control program, call the Salisbury-Rowan Utilities Environmental Services at 704.638.5375.

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Grease Myths...

"I can dissolve grease in my pipes with hot water."

False! Hot water gives the illusions of dissolving grease. It really just pushes the grease further down the drain, where it quickly cools and sticks to the inside of the pipe.

"I don't create enough grease to clog pipes."

FALSE! Once deposited inside the pipe, grease does not go away. Over time, any household can put enough grease down a drain to clog its pipes.

"I can flush grease down my toilet."

FALSE! Flushing grease down the toilet just creates build-up in the toilet drain.

"It doesn't matter what I do because I'm in an apartment complex with lots of other kitchens."

FALSE! Apartments are especially vulnerable to grease clogs because there are so many kitchens draining into the sewer system at one point. Every apartment needs to keep grease out of the drain.

"It's not my problem. If the drain is clogged, the landlord will pay for the repairs."

MAYBE BUT... Depending on your rental agreement, the landlord may pay for the repair, but YOU are the person who has to put up with the inconvenience and stench of the backedup drain.



