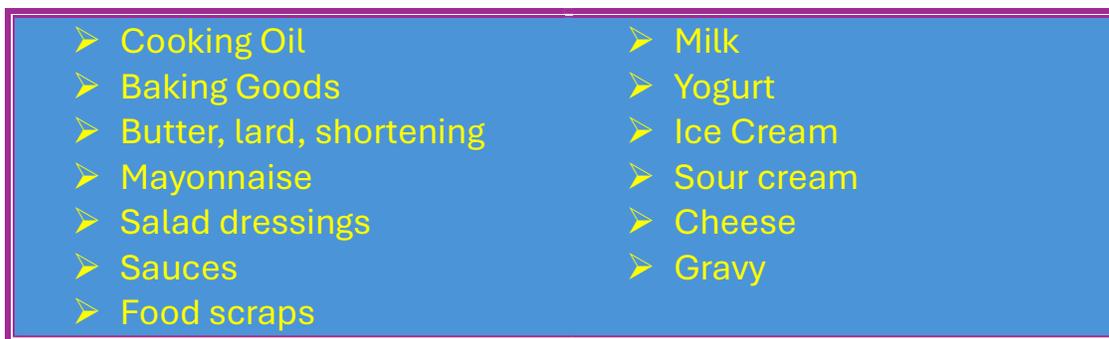




# Sussex County Environmental Services FOG Program

Fats, Oils and Grease (**FOG**) should not be discharged to the sanitary sewer. All too often, FOG is disposed of improperly during food preparation and kitchen clean-up. FOG can build up, clogging the pump system and sanitary sewer lines. FOG accumulation can reduce the capacity of the pump which can lead to sewage backups and overflows.

Where does FOG come from? If you said from cooking meat, like bacon or hamburger, you'd be right! However, did you know FOG is found in:



The best way for owners to ensure proper pump operation: ***Don't pour fats, oil or grease down the drain.*** That's sure to cause clogs in the home piping and the pump possibly creating sewer backups into your home. So do your part by properly disposing of fats, oils and grease. Here is the best practice for cooking grease:

- Pour the oil or grease into a can
- Put a lid on the can
- Cool the can of grease in the refrigerator
- When it's full, toss the can into the trash
- Be sure the can is covered so that if the grease melts, it does not spill into your trash.



Just remember: To keep the grease out of the system, "***Can it. Cool it. Toss it.***"





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Put food scraps in the trash, not through the garbage disposal.	Pour cooled fats, oils and grease into a container and put the container in the trash.	Before washing, use a paper napkin or paper towel to wipe FOG from dishes and dispose of it in the trash.
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For more information, visit the Sussex County website:

[www.sussexcountype.gov/FOG](http://www.sussexcountype.gov/FOG)

Also know that grease will stick to anything else that was sent down the drain. Do not flush or let go down the drain any of these prohibited items:

- “Flushable” wipes of any kind
- Baby wipes, cleaning wipes, paper towels, napkins, tissues, mops
- Hair clippings in excess
- Feminine hygiene products. diapers
- Cotton balls, swabs, dental floss
- Cat litter
- Medications
- Plastics, rubber, or metal objects

Make sure you’re flushing **ONLY THE THREE Ps!**

- ✓  **Pee**
- ✓  **Poop**
- ✓  **(Toilet) Paper**

If the grinder pump alarm activates contact us as soon as possible.

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**Stop and Think - Not Down the Sink!**

