

FOG

Fats, Oils, and Grease

City of Marion, NC
Fats, Oils, and Grease Program



What is FOG?

FOG stands for Fats, Oils, and Grease. Pouring fats, oils, and grease down the drain creates obstructions in underground pipes (private and public) and creates serious problems like blockages and sewer overflows. Did you know that FOG can be one of the leading causes of sewer overflows and blockages in the United States? When washed down the drain, grease sticks to sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets). Over time, grease build up can clog the entire pipeline, causing sewer overflows in our community. The damage from overflows could cost you and the City of Marion thousands of dollars in repairs.

Prevent sewer overflows with these simple tips:

- Do **NOT** pour cooking oil or greasy food down the drain or garbage disposals.
- Do **NOT** use hot water and soap to try to wash grease down the drain. It will cool and harden in the sewer lines.
- Pour cooled grease into disposable container and toss in garbage when grease is completely cool.
- Scrape food particles from pots, pans, and dishes into the trash can prior to placing them in the sink for washing
- Wipe excess fats and grease from pans with dry paper towel and toss in garbage.



Scrape It



Can It



Trash It