



FOG PROGRAM

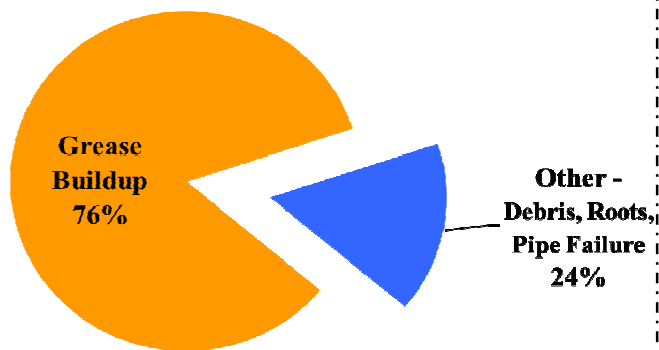
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Pipe Blockages

The city responds to a number of sewer main stoppages a year. The majority of these stoppages occur due to FOG. From January 2008 through September 2013 76% of all sewer stoppages were due to FOG.



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FOG Information Sources

www.vbgov.com/FOG, Virginia Beach FOG program website

www.askHRGreen.org, Regional FOG information

www.HRFOG.com, online Food Service Employee and Grease Hauler Training

Quick Fact

Cleaning a grease control device frequently reduced smells and odors, extends the life of the trap, makes cleaning easier and reduces backups and clogged lines.

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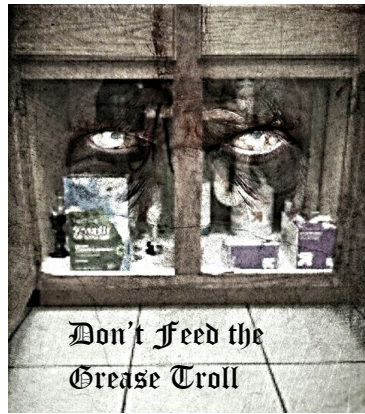
Fall 2013

Autumn Beauty

Leaves are changing, football games are being played, and schools are back in session. These are all indicators that autumn has arrived. With autumn, comes serving foods that contain high amounts of FOG. This quarter we look at the solids that enter Grease Control Devices (GCDs).

Part of the Best Kitchen Management Practices is to not dispose of food waste into a sink, but to dispose of food waste directly into the trash. Food waste going down the drain and into a GCD directly hinders the effectiveness of the GCD.

There are many ways in which you can prevent food from going down the drain. One step is to scrape and dry wipe any food left on the dishes into the trash can. Another step would be to insure that a sink strainer is in place to catch any solids that may have stayed on.



Avoid using the garbage disposal if you have one. If you so choose to utilize a garbage disposal, then a solids separator should be in place between the sink and GCD. The solids separator is to be installed so that the wastewater passes through it before entering the GCD.

When cleaning your GCD be sure to completely remove the solids that have settled out. If you do not fully clean out the solids, the likely hood of passing the 25% rule decreases.

Certified Employees

A condition of the FOG ordinance (Sec. 28-76 (b)) is that each FSE shall have an employee who has completed a training program concerning the operation and maintenance of GCDs. This training is free of charge and information can be found on our website (www.vbgov.com/FOG) or askHRGreen's training site (www.HRFOG.com)

FOG Program Update

- ✓ We would like to welcome Danny Stewart to our staff. Danny will be the new FOG inspector and he brings 29 years of service as a Plumbing Inspector for the City of Virginia Beach.
- ✓ City FOG inspectors are currently conducting new FSE inspections and will begin annual compliance inspections in the coming months.

