

## **Grease , oil & sand Interceptors are required, as per Bylaw 547.**

Under the By-law, it is mandatory for all Commercial & Industrial establishments to install a grease trap (interceptor) on any fixture or drain that discharges wastewater. This includes sinks for washing dishes, and drains serving cooking equipment and self-cleaning exhaust hoods. They also require any maintenance by the owner!

## **Flushable Wipes Creating Havoc!**

Residents are asked to place used disinfectant or sanitary wipes in garbage containers and not to flush down toilets. Flushing wipes causes havoc with the Town of Oliver's sewer system, plugging up gravity lines and pumps resulting in additional maintenance.

With increased use of antiseptic wipes or similar products it is important that these items are disposed of in your regular curbside garbage. Toilet paper is designed to disintegrate into pulp and move easily through the process of sewage or septic treatment.

Residents should also avoid disposing of flushable wipes, paper towels, reinforced paper towels or hygiene related products down the toilet. These products can seriously affect the operations of sewer infrastructure by building up, attracting other solid materials, clogging pipes and treatment plant equipment.

**Even If the product says "flushable", they are usually not!**

## **Some Non-Flushable Products Include:**

- ⇒ **Flushable wipes,**
- ⇒ **Paper towels,**
- ⇒ **Reinforced paper towels**
- ⇒ **Hygiene related products**
- ⇒ **Household hazardous waste**
- ⇒ **Pharmaceuticals**
- ⇒ **Fats, Oils & Grease**



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## **Keep Fats, Oils, Grease (FOG) & Wipes Out of the Drains!**



# FATS OILS GREASE



**Keeping these out of our Sanitary Sewer System will keep maintenance and replacement costs down to our customers:**

## Fats

Fats will turn solid at room temperature and would include these examples;

*butter, shortening, margarine, peanut butter, meat trimmings, uncooked poultry skin, dairy, cheeses, milk, cream, sour cream, ice cream.*

## Oils

Oils will turn liquid at room temperature and would include these examples;

*Vegetable oil, canola oil, olive oil, corn oil, salad dressings, cooking oils.*

## Grease

Grease turns to liquid during cooking, but solidifies when cooled and would include these examples;

*Gravy, mayonnaise, melted meat fat bacon and sausage, boiled poultry skin, salad dressing.*



Examples how pipes, sewer lift stations and other equipment can be affected when FOG is introduced to the sanitary sewer system.



## Why keep these out of our drains?

When fats, oils, and grease (FOG) are washed down the sink or toilet into the plumbing system they cool, harden and stick to the inside of sewer pipes. Over time, the grease will build up and can block the entire pipe – both on your property and on Town property.

## How to dispose of fats, oils & grease (FOG)

- Let small amounts of grease cool and harden, then discard it into the garbage
- Wipe grease from pots and pans with a paper towel before placing them in the sink or dishwasher

## What can you do to help prevent sewer system blockages

- Never pour grease down sink drains or into toilets.
- Install baskets/strainers into sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids.
- The only things that are okay to flush down the toilet are Toilet paper, poo and pee

