

Who is responsible for removing FOG from the sewer system?

□ Food Service Establishments (FSE's) include:

- Restaurants
- Bakeries, Confectioners
- Coffee Houses
- Catering Companies
- Culinary Schools
- Cafeteria Kitchens
- Delicatessens
- Meat Departments

SEWER LATERAL REPLACEMENT GRANT PROGRAM:

Private sewer laterals extend from a home or business to the public sewer pipe under the street, sometimes after joining with other private sewers (common laterals). Private laterals are the property of the landowner who is responsible for private lateral maintenance.

The City of Sausalito is currently accepting applications for assisting in the cost of inspection, repair or replacement of private sewer laterals within the City's service area. Upon successful completion of the repair or replacement, the City will reimburse for 100% of the cost of the video inspection and 50% up to \$1,000 per customer for the cost of the repair. Fill out an application and include an estimate from a qualified video inspector/plumber of your choice. We will review your application to verify that you are a customer of the City and that the estimate you received is reasonable. After your inspection, provide the City with a copy of your video inspection receipt along with the inspector's recommendations for repair or replacement of your sewer lateral.

To qualify, for repair reimbursement you must obtain three (3) written cost estimates from qualified plumbing contractors and provide copies to the City.

The City will review the estimates to ensure that the work scope is relevant and the fees quoted are reasonable. Once approved, you will be notified and advised of the dollar amount you will be reimbursed.

After the repair is completed, provide the City with a copy of your receipt for reimbursement of up to \$1,000. Reimbursement funds are not applicable for landscaping or the installation of a cleanout to facilitate video inspection. While City ordinance requires a cleanout and back flow prevention device on all sewer laterals, some older homes may not have these devices installed. Prior to performing any repairs, you will need to obtain permit from the City of Sausalito (415-289-4192).

If you have any questions please contact us. While we can not recommend plumbers or inspectors for you, we are happy to assist you with your application.



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Food Service Establishments (FSE) & FOG

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What is FOG?

Fats: Meat, Fish, Poultry, Milk, Cream, Butter, Tallow, Lard, Shortening, Margarine

Oils: Vegetable, Canola, Corn, Olive, Grape Seed, Safflower, Palm, Sunflower, Peanut, Sesame, Coconut, Flaxseed

Grease: Yellow Grease: Used grease. Major FSE source of yellow grease is deep frying. Yellow grease is stored in the grease recycle bins, normally at the back of the FSE.

Brown Grease: Floatable grease, settled solids and associated wastewater retained by grease interceptors and grease traps.

Over time, brown grease accumulates and restricts the flow of wastewater in the pipe resulting in sewer backups, damage to businesses and raw sewage spills into our streets and the Bay



Sausalito Municipal Code § 18.12.080

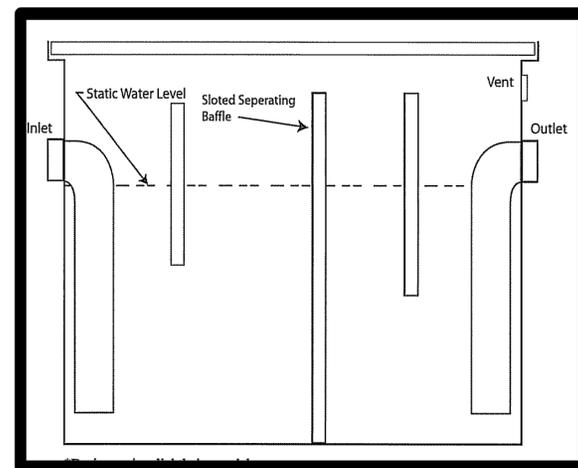
“Any business, institution or industry that may discharge oil, grease, flammable substances, sand or other materials that may be harmful to the sewage system shall have a properly functioning interceptor. Interceptors shall be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the provisions of the most recent editions of the Uniform Plumbing Code....” (Ord. 1072 §1, 1991)

- All drains from work or processing areas shall be connected to the interceptor, provided, however, that toilets, urinals and wash basins shall not flow through the interceptor.
- Maintenance of interceptors required of the **property owner**.
- Maintenance includes periodic removal of grease, sand and other materials.
- Interceptors found by the City Engineer to be inadequately maintained shall be reported to the County Health Officer.
- Health Officer's orders for correcting deficient or malfunctioning interceptors shall be final and there shall be no City Council appeal of such orders.
- Materials removed from interceptors **shall not be disposed of in the sewer system**.
- **A record of interceptor maintenance shall be kept** and made available upon request of the Health Officer.
- Use of chemicals to dissolve coagulated materials is **prohibited**.

- Garbage grinders in FSEs **shall not be connected to the sanitary sewer**.
- Vegetable, fruit, animal or other solid waste from FSEs **shall not be allowed to enter the sanitary sewer**.

How is FOG Removed From the Sewer System?

Hydro Mechanical Grease Interceptor. (Formerly known as a “Grease Trap”) (per California Plumbing Code 2007 Revisions)



Gravity Grease Interceptor.

