



Public Works

STOKES COUNTY Oil & Grease Awareness

GREASE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Town of Danbury customers expect their sanitary sewage to be delivered to the wastewater treatment plant without sewer backups, blockages, and overflows.

Backups, blockages, and overflows can create serious problems, foul odors, property damage, and pollution of rivers and streams

DO

Did you know that most sanitary sewer backups occur between your home and the sewer main? You can prevent a costly and unsanitary overflow by following a few simple steps:

- Scrape the excess grease in a waste container and dispose of it in the garbage
- Place food scraps in waste containers or garbage bags for disposal with solid wastes, or start a compost pile; promote use of scraping ware prior to washing
- Place a wastebasket in the bathroom to dispose of solid waste.



DO NOT...



**DO NOT POUR
GREASE
FATS
OR
COOKING OILS
DOWN THE DRAIN**

**DO NOT
USE THE TOILET
AS A WASTE BASKET**

**DO NOT
USE THE SEWER AS A
MEANS OF DISPOSING
FOOD SCRAPS**

FACTS

Yearly, there are more than 15,000 sewer overflows in North Carolina. Many of these overflows are directly related to the improper disposal of oil and grease in kitchen drains. Grease congeals on sewer pipes, which causes clogging. These clogged sewer pipes may allow wastewater to flow back into homes or businesses or directly into waterways.

The Stokes County Public Works Department makes every effort to protect our citizens, the environment, and wastewater treatment plants. By working together we can reduce sanitary sewer overflows caused by oil and grease.