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Why worry?

Fats and oils block pipes! They mix with other food waste and wet wipes and congeal and harden in the pipe. This can cause blockages in your own property and clog up the treatment works leading to sewage spills in our bathing waters.

KEEP OUT fats, oils and grease

5 steps to clear pipes

- 1 Scrape excess food from all cooking pans and crockery into the food waste bin.
- 2 Wipe excess grease with kitchen towel prior to washing.
- **3** Use a sink strainer to catch food waste before it goes down the plughole.
- 4 Coffee grounds are a common cause of blockages – put them in your food waste bin. Also great for compost or mulching.
- **5** Avoid pouring liquid waste such as yoghurt, gravy, dressing or cream down the sink. Put them in the food waste bin.

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Clear Pipes

Vegetable-based oils

🔀 Vegetable-based oils are liquid at room temperature.

Olive oil, rapeseed, sesame oil leftover from frying, oil from sundried tomato jars or tuna in sunflower oil, salad dressings.

Great news. This can be recycled Collect it up in an old vegetable oil bottle and take it to the recycling centre when you next go.

One litre of oil can create enough energy for 240 cups of tea!

Solid at room temperature.

Animal-based fats

Fat from cooked meat (pour into an old pot and allow to cool), lard, margarine, peanut butter and dairy products including butter, yoghurt, cream and cheese.

This can go in the food waste bin This is then converted into compost and a renewable energy source.

Protect your pipes. Throw leftover kitchen fat and grease in the food bin and take waste oil to the recycling centre to be converted into energy.

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