

F.O.G.s do not belong in any kind of drain—from your kitchen sink to the **storm drains** in the street outside your house.



Why?

Enough fats, oils, and grease will clog pipes of any size. In addition, many of Goshen's storm drains empty directly into a waterway which can negatively impact plants, fish, clams, and other aquatic life found in our river systems.



Report - a - Pollutant

The City of Goshen Stormwater Department monitors illicit discharges like the dumping of F.O.G.s into storm infrastructure. If you see something, say something. You can report a stormwater pollution issue at our website <https://goshenindiana.org/report-a-pollutant>, by calling 574-534-2201, or via email at stormwater@goshencity.com.

City of Goshen

Department of Stormwater



F.O.G. Disposal

What are F.O.G.s?

Fats

Oils

Grease

...things that do **NOT** belong in our **storm drains**.



Only Rain Down the Drain!

F.O.G.s are a stormwater pollutant!

Stormwater pollution includes any material other than rain that goes into our stormwater system.



Part of the mission of Goshen's Stormwater Department is to ensure the cleanliness of stormwater leaving the City through our waterways. This means addressing pollutants at their source—they should never make it into a storm drain!

For more about what can and cannot go down the drain check out: <https://goshenindiana.org/lift-stations>



If not the drain, then where?

A few things that can be done to prevent routine F.O.G.s from going down the drain...

1. Let fats, oils, and grease harden in a sturdy, closed lid disposable container and throw in the trash to be taken to a landfill. (A repurposed/recycled container is even better!)
2. Use paper towels to dry mop F.O.G.s from used dishes before washing.
3. Use a catch basket in the sink and routinely empty food particles to the trash or compost.



What if these fixes aren't enough?

Restaurants and cafeterias produce more F.O.G. waste than the above methods can solve. For large amounts of F.O.G.s, there are large solutions!

Restaurants and other high-volume F.O.G. waste producers utilize things like industrial grease traps and disposal containers made specifically for used cooking oil (pictured here).

