

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

Town of Trumbull

CONNECTICUT

TOWN HALL
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5866 MAIN STREET
TRUMBULL, CT 06611

INTRODUCTION

Dear F.P.E. Proprietor:

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protections' (CTDEP) and the Town of Trumbull, Sewer Use Ordinance govern the discharge of wastewater from Food Service Establishments to municipal treatment systems. This ordinance required the installation of Fats, Oils and Grease (Hereinafter "FOG") pretreatment equipment to minimize the discharge of FOG to wastewater disposal systems. Town of Trumbull W.P.C.A. Maintenance Operator **Mark Kuczo** has been charged with the responsibility of overseeing FOG Records of Maintenance for Business with Outdoor Grease Traps located within the Town of Trumbull.

Enclosed is the Town of Trumbull W.P.C.A. FATS, OILS & GREASE (FOG) PRETREATMENT REGISTRATION FORM. Please submit the completed form, together with payment in the amount:

\$100.00 representing permit Initial Registration and inspection fees, or

\$50.00 representing permit Renewal Registration and Inspection:

To the Town of Trumbull W.P.C.A., 5866 Main Street, Trumbull CT 06611.

All Class III & IV Food Preparation Establishments (FPEs) operating within the Town of Trumbull will be required to comply with a "General Permit Program" for the Discharge of Wastewater Associated with (FPEs). This program was established by the State of Connecticut – Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in order to regulate the discharge of Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) into the Sanitary Sewer System.

This General Permit is not a document with blank spaces to record information. The General Permit is a Pretreatment Program. Authorized Agents from the Water Pollution Control Authority, Health Department or Building Department will begin inspection of all Town Class III and IV Food Preparation Establishments (FPE) for permit compliance beginning July 1, 2011.

PURPOSE OF FOG PROGRAM

The installation of proper equipment is fundamental for removal of FOG generated from Class III & IV FPEs. Class I Establishments serves only pre-packaged foods/beverages. Class II Establishments serves cold or ready-to-eat processed food.

- Class III & IV (FPE) serves food prepared by hot process and consumed with 4 hours of preparation.

- Class IV: Have exposed foods prepared by hot processes held for 4 or more hours prior to consumption. Examples of Class III and IV Food Preparation Establishments: Restaurants, hotel or school kitchens, bars, cafeterias & clubs.

Many Food Preparation Establishments in operation within the Town of Trumbull already have serviceable equipment in place. However, it is expected that a number of other facilities do not. Authorized Town of Trumbull Agents will be inspecting Class III and IV FPEs for compliance with the General Permit, verifying that FOG compliant removal devices have been installed and maintained.

Two types of grease pretreatment equipment options are available. The equipment may be an “active” Automatic Grease Recovery Unit (AGRU) or a “passive” grease trap/interceptor option. FOG pretreatment units, whether active or passive are not disposal devices. All pretreatment devices must be maintained and the collected grease and solids removed regularly from the units. Without removal of accumulated FOG, all FOG pretreatment devices lose their effectiveness.

Facilities with grease trap/interceptor tanks will be required to produce quarterly receipts from companies that provide cleaning of FOG trap/interceptors. Failure to do so may result in daily fines and revocation of food services licenses. Non compliant establishments may also be responsible for clean up costs associated with sewer overflows or stoppages.

All FPEs in Trumbull operating in a building that does not have a grease trap interceptor will be required to operate and maintain an Automatic Grease Recovery Unit (AGRU). An AGRU is a smaller unit, often stainless steel that uses mechanical means to skim floating FOG from the sink effluent before it enters the sanitary sewer system. AGRU should be monitored for proper operation and emptied on a frequent basis. An inventory of FOG discharges with proof of proper disposal will verify the proper operation of the equipment.

Monitoring and maintenance of grease pretreatment equipment is critical for successful operations. FOG Pretreatment Programs require the collection and proper disposal of the FOG from the grease trap interceptor tanks. Grease trap interceptors should be emptied and cleaned whenever accumulated grease and settled solids exceed 25% of the tank liquid depth.

It is recommended that grease trap/interceptors are cleaned on a quarterly basis. The typical method employed by FPEs in Connecticut is to establish a contractual relationship with a company that provides cleaning and maintenance of FOG interceptors. These companies are typically listed in the local phone book under Septic Tank Cleaners.

Information management is a key element of a FOG Pretreatment Program. The authorized agents will inspect FPEs for compliance with the General Permit. They will verify that the food and drink service establishment are implementing Best Management Practices for controlling FOG and have installed compliant FOG Devices.

Record-keeping is the responsibility of the individual FPE. Records must be kept on-site indicating the dates of installation of grease pretreatment equipment, when the grease trap/interceptor was pump-out, quantities pump and observations. Records must be kept on-site for a minimum duration of five years.

VIOLATIONS PENALTIES ENFORCEMENT

The establishment owner is financially responsible for all charges including installation, maintenance, pumping, disposal and repair of treatment systems. The establishments are also responsible for any fines or clean up costs associated with overflows or stoppages.

STANDARD FEES

A.	Initial Application	\$100.00
B.	Renewal Application	\$ 50.00
C.	Late Fee	\$ 25.00 (per month)

VIOLATION FEES

Violations of the Town of Trumbull FOG Management Program may be subject to Violation Fees. Each day a violation continues may be considered a separate occurrence.

A.	Failure to submit Registration Form	\$100.00
B.	Disallow an Inspection	\$100.00
C.	Failure to maintain records in proper order	\$100.00
D.	Failure to maintain interceptors in proper working order	\$500.00
E.	Failure to clean out interceptor quarterly or when 25% Filled with grease, which ever comes first	\$500.00
F.	Source of sewer blockage (minimum)	\$500.00
G.	Source of sanitary sewer over flow (minimum)	\$500.00
H.	Falsification of records	\$1,000.00

VIOLATION CORRECTION SCHEDULE

A.	Equipment Not Registered	30 Days
B.	Installation Violations (outdoor & indoor)	90 Days
C.	Operational Violations	30 Days
D.	Failure to Remit Records	30 Days
E.	Disallow an Inspection	30 Days
F.	Failure to Maintain Records	30 Days
G.	Failure to Maintain Interceptors in Proper Working Order	7 Days
H.	Failure to clean out Interceptor	7 Days
I.	Source of Sewer Blockage (minimum)	24 Hours
J.	Source of Sanitary Sewer Overflow (minimum)	24 Hours

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SANITARY SEWER FOG PROGRAM PRETREATMENT PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

Establishment Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Owner or Local Designee Name: _____

GENERAL GREASE TRAP INFORMATION

All class 3 and 4 Food Preparation Establishments shall have a properly sized and operational grease interceptor. Two choices are available, a vault outside the building or an Automatic Grease Recovery Unit (ARGU) inside as required by local ordinance.

What type of unit(s) does your business have now? (Choose all that apply)

_____ Exterior: Size _____ gallons

_____ Interior: Automatic Grease Recovery Unit (see attached picture)

_____ Indoor Passive, Box type (see attached picture) _____ None _____ Unknown

Note: If your business has an interior passive box unit or no grease trap at all, you will be required to install a new, interior AGRU or Exterior vault with 60 days of receipt of this correspondence.

Sign and submit this form along with:

\$100.00 payment for **Initial Registration** and **Inspection** or

\$50.00 payment for **Renewal Registration** and **Inspection** to:

The Town of Trumbull WPCA, 5866 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611.

I certify that the information submitted is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Owner or Local Designee

Date

Printed Name

For additional information call (203) 452-5048