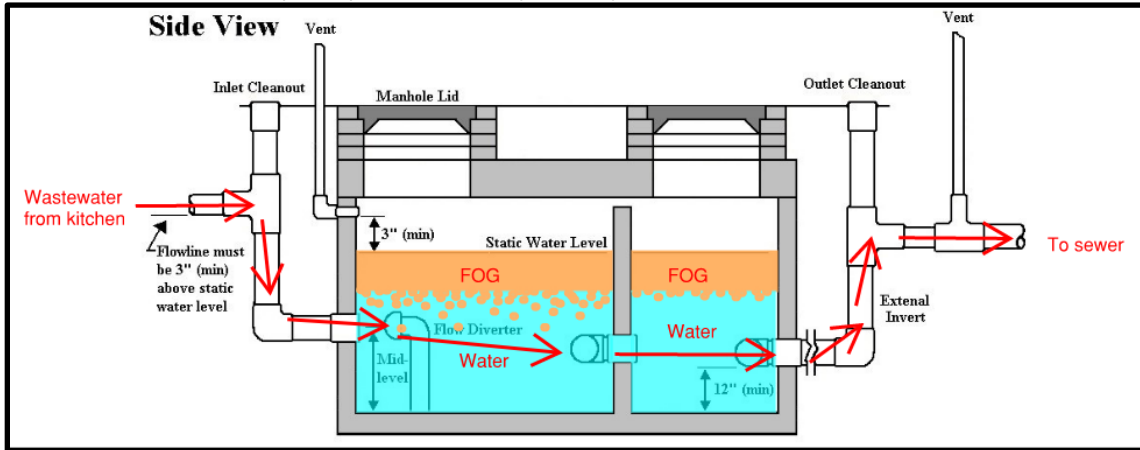


This document is intended to provide a general overview of grease interceptors, related City of Austin (COA) code citations, and customer responsibilities regarding maintenance and record keeping requirements.

WHAT IS A GREASE INTERCEPTOR?

A grease interceptor (GI) is a large tank, typically installed outside of the building which captures and separates **Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG)** from wastewater. GIs can vary in size anywhere from 100-gallons to over 5000-gallons and function by allowing FOG to settle out to the top, while the mostly clean/clear wastewater flows through to the sanitary sewer. The eventual accumulation of FOG and other solids in the GI is required by code to be pumped out by a licensed Liquid Waste Hauler (LWH) at least every 90 days or sooner.



- All the kitchen wastewater fixtures should be routed to the GI.
- The GI **does not** treat sanitary wastewater.

AUSTIN CITY CODE REQUIREMENTS (PARAPHRASED FOR CONTEXT)

- **§ 15-10-23 - LIMIT ON DISCHARGE OF FAT, OIL, OR GREASE** – Except as authorized by this chapter, a person may not discharge fat, oil, grease, or similar material to the POTW in excess of an instantaneous limit of 200 milligrams per liter.
- **§ 15-10-71 - COMMERCIAL OR INSTITUTIONAL FOOD PREPARATION** – A person operating a commercial or institutional food preparation business, including a food processor, bakery, restaurant, school, hospital, retirement home, assisted living center, grocery store or other commercial or institutional food preparation operation must construct, operate, and maintain a... **[Grease Interceptor.]**
- **§ 15-10-165 – RECORDS RETENTION** – A person discharging wastewater containing industrial waste or other prohibited waste to the POTW or disposing of waste off-site shall retain and make available for inspection and copying by the director all records and information required under this chapter...(B) for at least three years from the date the record is created.
- **§ 15-10-197 - REQUIREMENTS FOR CLEANING GREASE TRAPS** – A person who discharges wastewater from a grease trap to the POTW shall completely remove all fat, oil, or grease waste, other liquid waste, semi-solid or solid and residue from the grease trap when the grease trap is cleaned **at least every 90 days**, or when 50% or more of the wetter height of the GI contains grease and solids.

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Have the GI pumped out every 90 days or sooner by a LWH with a valid COA permit:
 - <https://www.austintexas.gov/department/liquid-waste-hauler-program>
- Keep and store the manifest records on-site and make them accessible to Industrial Waste personnel for inspections or other requests. A copy of the manifest will be provided to you by the LWH after each pump-out event. Please refer to the example manifest on the reverse side of this paper for reference.

QUESTIONS? Please reach out to IndustrialWaste@austintexas.gov



GREASE INTERCEPTORS – CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

MANIFEST EXAMPLE TEMPLATE

City of Austin / Travis County
Austin Water

Manifest / Trip Ticket for Hauled Liquid Wastes

Number: **1055751**

Generator Info	Generator Name: The Happy Blue Tortilla		Address: 123 Main Street	
	City Austin	State: TX	Zip Code: 78701	Phone: 512-555-5555
	1. Indicate the waste type (check one) and, if applicable, the tank, interceptor or trap capacity: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Food service grease interceptor or trap waste <input type="checkbox"/> Chemical toilet / portable toilet waste <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater from a mobile food vendor <input type="checkbox"/> Grit / mud / oil / lint interceptor or trap waste <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater treatment plant sludge <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater from sanitary sewer system <input type="checkbox"/> Septic tank / sewage holding tank waste <input type="checkbox"/> Other - specify source and type of waste: _____ Tank, interceptor or trap capacity: <u>1750</u> (gallons)			
	2. This section applies to any waste removed from food service grease interceptors or traps that are subject to Austin City Code specified pump-out frequency requirements. All food service grease interceptors or traps located within the City of Austin (COA) or located at any property that receives wastewater service from Austin Water must comply. If needed, contact Austin Water to obtain the requested COA Pollution Control Device ID.			
	a) Was this waste removed from a grease interceptor or trap that is subject to Austin City Code pump-out requirements? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If NO, skip b) through f) below:			
	b) COA Pollution Control Device ID: 99 <input type="checkbox"/> unknown		If ID unknown, provide device's GPS coordinates (in decimal degrees) below	
	c) Percent solids/grease (estimate): 30%		Latitude: <u>30</u> Longitude: <u>97</u>	
	d) Is interceptor in good operating condition? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		If any interceptor problem or defect observed, please describe below	
	e) Is submission of pump-out report required? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
	f) Pump-out reporting done by: <input type="checkbox"/> Generator <input type="checkbox"/> Hauler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		Name or initials of person reporting: _____	
Gallons Removed: 1750		Date Removed: 5/01/2020		
As the representative for the generator of this waste, I certify that the information provided is true and correct; and that this waste is to be transported to a facility authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to receive these wastes.				
Printed Name: Alex Blue		Signature: <i>Alex Blue</i>		
Transporter Info	Hauler Business Name: Bob's Pumping Co.		Address: 123 Hauler Way	
	City: Austin	State: TX	Zip Code: 78701	Phone: 512-444-4444
	TCEQ Registration No.: 12345		Vehicle License No.: XYZ-123	
	COA Permit No.: 111	Gallons Transported: 1750	Date Relinquished: 5/01/2020	
	As the representative for the transporter of this waste, I certify that the information provided is true and correct; and that this waste was collected in accordance with Title 30 of the Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 312, Subchapter G and the Austin City Code.			
	Printed Name: Robert Haulerman		Signature: <i>Robert Haulerman</i>	
Transfer Info	Note: This section is for documenting transfers of wastes between vehicles operating under the same TCEQ Registration Number. The transfer of waste to any secondary transporter must be at a Type V facility that is either permitted by or registered with the TCEQ.			
	1. Was this waste transferred to the vehicle identified above from a previous transporter vehicle? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If YES, indicate the previous Manifest / Trip Ticket No. here: _____			
	2. Is this waste being transferred from the vehicle identified above to a different (new) transporter vehicle? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If YES, complete the section below for the vehicle <i>accepting</i> this waste, and <i>initiate a new Manifest / Trip Ticket</i> including the new "Transporter Info" and <i>the original</i> "Generator Info" (duplication of the generator's signature would not be required).			
	New Manifest / Trip Ticket No.:		New Vehicle License No.:	
	Gallons Transferred:		Transfer Date:	
	As the representative for the transporter receiving this transferred waste , I certify that the information provided is true and correct.			
	Printed Name:		Signature:	
Receiver Info	Facility Name: Landfill USA		Address: 10 Pasture Hwy	
	City: Hometown	State: TX	Zip Code: 78777	Phone: 512-333-3333
	Check One: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disposal site <input type="checkbox"/> Permitted transfer station <input type="checkbox"/> Registered transfer station		TCEQ Type I or Type V Permit No.: <u>555123</u>	
			OR TCEQ Registration No.: _____	
	Gallons Received: 1750	Date Received: 5/02/2020	Time Received: 13:30	
	As the representative for the facility receiving this waste, I certify that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The TCEQ has authorized this facility to accept the waste specified under "Generator Info" above; The waste was received by this facility on the date and time indicated; and The waste has been transferred, recycled or disposed of as required by the TCEQ authorization for this facility. 			
Printed Name: Jane Doe		Signature: <i>Jane Doe</i>		

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WHITE - Austin Water; YELLOW - Generator (Initial); GREEN - Generator (Final); PINK - Receiver; GOLD - Transporter