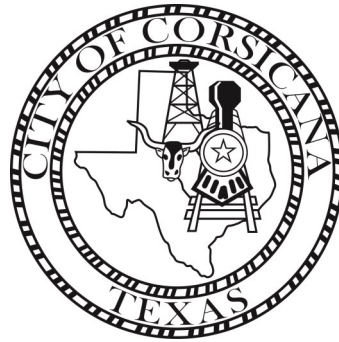


WHAT TO DO WHEN YOUR SEWER IS BACKING UP

- Turn off your dishwasher and washing machine.
- Do not flush the commode.
- Remove the clean out cap located outside.
- If the waste water continues to overflow, the City sewerage main may be blocked. During business hours, Monday-Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM, please contact the Service Center at (903) 654-4893. For after hours, weekends, or holidays, please call Police Dispatch at (903) 654-4902.



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Preventing
Sanitary
Sewer
Overflow

'SSO'



Sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) is a condition in which untreated **sewage** is discharged from a **sanitary sewer** into the environment prior to reaching **sewage** treatment facilities.

SSOs are backups in either the public sewer or residential plumbing.

Keep Drains and Sewers Clear of Fats, Oils and Grease

Fats, oils, and grease can cause blockages in sewer pipes and lead to SSOs. Blockages due to coagulated grease in pipes are thought to be the leading cause of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs).

Grease should never be poured down sink drains or into toilets or garbage disposals. Instead, pour grease and oil into a covered disposable container and put it in the trash. “COOL IT – CAN IT – TRASH IT.”

Food scraps, meat fats, dairy products, and butter and margarine should never be put down the drain or into a garbage disposal.

Avoid Drain Pain

There are many items that claim to be “flushable” and “sewer safe.” However, these items do not break down as they travel through pipes and into the sewer system. This can create clogs in both household plumbing and the public sewer system and

result in SSO’s

Items that should be disposed of in the trash, and not flushed down the toilet, include:

- Diapers
- Baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, or moist wipes
- Facial tissues
- Feminine hygiene products
- Dental floss
- Hair
- Medications
- Napkins or paper towels