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Pursuant to Chapter 62-625, Florida Administrative Code, The Town of Davie has developed and implemented a local industrial wastewater pretreatment program. The purpose of this program is to identify and monitor those non-residential users who discharge waste to the TOD Sanitary Sewer System. It is our duty to identify any industrial user who may interfere with the wastewater treatment facilities or processes or which may pose a threat to the environment or to the health and safety of the public and/or employees of the utility.

What is FROG?

FROG stands for Fats, Oils, Rags and Grease. When Fats, Oils, Rags and Grease go down the drain, they build up in pipes to cause clogs. These clogs can cause a sewer pipe to break or back up into the street, causing a Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO). SSOs are trouble for everyone.

Some Rags (wipes/towels) get sucked into the treatment plant, get wrapped up around the impeller until it slows down or stops the pump. Wastewater can back up into the collection system and cause sewage overflows and back-ups in your home, your neighbor's home, our waterways, on public property and just about anywhere water can find a way out.

[Again, SSO's are a health hazard for everyone!](#)



The primary source for RAGS is any place where hand wipes, baby wipes and towels are used and then subsequently flushed into toilets. For example nail salons, daycares, oil rags from garages and residential homes. The primary source for fats, oil and grease is any place where food is prepared and/or cooked and the wares to do so are subsequently washed. For example, restaurants, bars, food courts, convenience stores, bakeries and school kitchens. As such, interceptors/grease traps need to be installed, and maintained by the sewer user.

Per the Town of Davie Sewer Use Ordinance, Article VIII, Section 25-83, (3), Grease, oil, and sand interceptors shall be provided when, in the opinion of the control authority, they are necessary for the proper handling of wastewater containing excessive amounts of grease and oil, or sand; except that such interceptors shall not be required for residential users. All interception units shall be of type and capacity approved by the control authority and shall be so located to be easily accessible for cleaning and inspection. Such interceptors shall be inspected, cleaned, and repaired regularly, as needed, by the user at their expense.



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Town of Davie Sewer Use Ordinance, Sec. 25-81. - General provisions.

(a) *Purpose and policy.* This article sets forth uniform requirements for users of the wastewater facility of the Town of Davie, Florida (town) and enables the town (control authority) (CA) to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, including the Clean Water Act (33 United States Code [U.S.C.] section 1251 et seq.) and the General Pretreatment Regulations (40 CFR 403, Chapter 62-625 FAC). This article shall apply to all users of the wastewater facility. This article authorizes the issuance of wastewater discharge permits; provides for monitoring, compliance, and enforcement activities; establishes administrative review procedures; requires user reporting; and provides for the setting of fees for the equitable distribution of costs resulting from the program established herein.

Sec. 25-83. - Pretreatment of wastewater.

(b) *Additional pretreatment measures.*

(3) Grease, oil, and sand interceptors shall be provided when, in the opinion of the control authority, they are necessary for the proper handling of wastewater containing excessive amounts of grease and oil, or sand; except that such interceptors shall not be required for residential users. All interception units shall be of type and capacity approved by the control authority and shall be so located to be easily accessible for cleaning and inspection. Such interceptors shall be inspected, cleaned, and repaired regularly, as needed, by the user at their expense.

Sec. 25-87. - Compliance monitoring.

(a) *Right of entry; inspection and sampling.* The control authority shall have the right to enter the premises of any user to determine whether the user is complying with all requirements of this article and any individual wastewater discharge permit or order issued hereunder. Users shall allow the control authority ready access to all parts of the premises for the purposes of inspection, sampling, records examination and copying, and the performance of any additional duties.

(4) Any temporary or permanent obstruction to safe and easy access to the facility to be inspected and/or sampled shall be promptly removed by the user at the written or verbal request of control authority and shall not be replaced. The costs of clearing such access shall be born by the user.

(5) Unreasonable delays in allowing the control authority access to the user's premises shall be a violation of this article.

Sec. 25-90. - Administrative enforcement remedies.

(a-f) (f) *Administrative fines.*

(1) When the control authority finds that a user has violated, or continues to violate, any provision of this article, an individual wastewater discharge permit or order issued hereunder, or any other pretreatment standard or requirement, the control authority may fine such user in an amount not to exceed the maximum fine allowed pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida. Such fines shall be assessed on a per-violation, per-day basis. In the case of monthly or other long-term average discharge limits, fines shall be assessed for each day during the period of violation.

Sec. 25-91. - Judicial enforcement remedies.

Sec. 25-92. - Supplemental enforcement action.