



Liquid Waste Ordinance FAQ – Generator (FSE)

Why is the City requiring me to service my grease trap?

Routine maintenance of grease traps will aid in the reduction of wastewater overflows by decreasing the amount of fats, oils and greases in the wastewater system that are disposed of from Food Service Establishments (FSEs). This in turn protects public health and the environment as well as maintains compliance with state and federal regulations.

What will it cost me to service my grease trap?

The cost to have a grease trap/interceptor varies and depends on the size of the unit, where it is located and how much grease is disposed of via the facility's plumbing system. Contact your transporting company for pricing specific to your facility.

Am I required to have a grease trap/interceptor?

Yes, in the City Of Temple, a grease trap is required for any commercial or institutional food service operation. Sizing and location will vary depending on your specific location.

How often must my grease trap be cleaned?

The City of Temple Liquid Waste Ordinance specifies all grease traps must be completely emptied and cleaned by a licensed hauler ***at least every 90 days***, or whenever 25% or more of the unit contains floating materials, sediment, oils, or grease.

How do I dispose of grease trap waste?

Grease trap waste must be disposed of by a liquid waste transporter, licensed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and registered with the City of Temple to a properly permitted disposal site. Permitted transporters are listed on our website www.TempleTx.gov/Transporters

What is a Liquid Waste Manifest?

A Liquid Waste Manifest is a paper document containing information on the date, type and quantity of the waste that was evacuated and disposed of. Copies of manifests must be retained on-site for three years and be readily available for review by the City.

Who do I contact if I have additional questions?

The Environmental Programs Team is here to help! Please contact us if you have any questions regarding requirements for generators.

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