

# How A Sewer Blockage Affects the Sewer System

## Sewer Blockage Formation



The start of a blocked pipe begins when grease and solids collect on the top and sides of the pipe interior.



The build-up increases over time when grease and other debris are washed down the drain.



Excessive accumulation will restrict the flow of wastewater and can result in a sanitary sewer overflow.



**#1**

Grease and Solids accumulate and block the flow of wastewater

**#3**

Sanitary Sewer Overflows occur and expose untreated wastewater to humans, animals, and the environment

**#2**

Wastewater will back up in manholes, sewer cleanouts, and even home plumbing

