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### City of Taunton Board of Health Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) Regulations

#### Definitions and Supplemental Secondary Containment Regulation

The City of Taunton Board of Health, in accordance with, and under the authority granted by Section 31 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Hereby adopted the following regulation regarding secondary containment of FOG to the existing City of Taunton Board of Health FOG Regulations dated October 6, 2009, at a meeting of the Board held on May 4, 2010.

**Purpose:** In an effort to protect environmental and public health and safety the Board of Health has adopted several FOG management and maintenance regulations to help prevent sanitary sewage overflows that result from grease obstructions that subject the City to adverse health issues and present an environmental health hazard.

#### Definitions:

**FOG (Fats, Oils, Grease):** means organic polar compounds derived from animal and/or plant sources that contain multiple carbon chain triglyceride molecules. These substances are detectable and measurable using analytical test procedures established in the United States Code of Federal Regulations 40 CFR 136, as may be amended from time to time.

**Food Service Establishment (FSE):** includes, but is not limited to, any facility preparing and/or serving food for commercial use or sale. This includes restaurants, cafés, lunch counters, cafeterias, hotels, hospitals, convalescent homes, factory or school kitchens, catering kitchens, bakeries, grocery stores with food preparation and packaging, meat cutting and preparation (excluding grocery stores with only food warming operations), meat packing facilities and other food handling facilities not listed above where fats, oil and grease may be introduced into the community sewer system and cause line blockages and sewer overflows. This is also known as a process of concern.

**Grease interceptor/trap (sometimes called separators):** for the purposes of this document means a multi-compartment device designed to retain grease from one or more fixtures.

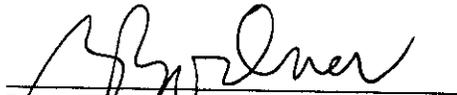
**Secondary Containment (FOG):** an additional grease trap/interceptor/Automatic Grease Recovery Unit/or other approved technology installed and adequately sized to manage the entire flow from the FOG source.

**Sewer:** means all sewers and facilities operated for carrying sewage.

**Effective June 14, 2010:**

15. All new and existing commercial establishments that contribute and/or have the ability to contribute FOG to the municipal sewer must provide secondary containment for FOG. All violators are subject to:
- fines and other action under Section 19.32 and 19.36.1 of the Sewer Use Ordinance
  - suspension of the food service permit at the discretion of the Board of Health.

  
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