



Cairns Regional
COUNCIL

GREASE ARRESTORS

The Ten Commandments for Grease Arrestor Maintenance

1. Clean your Grease Arrestor regularly by using a Cairns Regional Council registered Liquid Waste Contractor. Regular cleaning will help reduce odours and prolong the life of your arrestor. Suitably sized arrestors require cleaning approximately every 12 weeks unless directed by a Water and Waste, Trade Waste Officer.
2. Ensure that all drainage and trap vents are in good condition.
3. Check that lids, frames and concrete surrounds are in good condition. Poorly fitting or damaged lids and frames may allow the escape of odours and provide a breeding environment for vermin. Public safety and the infiltration of stormwater is also a major concern.
4. Retain on site, in an accessible location, your blue trade waste docket which will be given to you after every pump-out by the Liquid Waste Contractor. You may be required to produce your trade waste docket to a Water and Waste, Trade Waste Officer.
5. Recycle all your spent cooking oils.
6. The use of solvents, enzymes, mutant bacteria odour control agents or pesticides in Grease Arrestors is prohibited unless specially approved by the Trade Waste Department.
7. Do not dispose of unwanted oil and grease into your arrestor. This will shorten the time required between pump-outs and could also affect the quality of the effluent discharged resulting in higher charges.
8. Do not attempt to clean the arrestor yourself. Such waste must be collected by a Cairns Regional Council registered Liquid Waste Contractor and disposed of in an appropriate manner.
9. Do not add any cleaning agents or substances which may affect the contents of the arrestor causing undue erosion.
10. Garbage Grinders must not discharge through the Grease Arrestor.

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