City of Phoenix
WATER SERVICES DEPARTMENT
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION

GUIDANCE SUPPLEMENT 1A: INTERCEPTOR MAINTENANCE

Phoenix City Code Section 28-15 states:

Where installed, all grease, oil, and sand interceptors shall be maintained by the owner, at his expense, in continuously efficient operation at all times. The owner shall keep written records and documentation of all cleaning, repair, calibration, and maintenance required to demonstrate compliance with this section. Records shall be kept at the facility for a minimum of three years and be made available to the Director upon request.
(Ord. _G-1935, § 2; Ord. _ G-3662, § 1.)

Recommended interceptor maintenance includes, but is not limited to:

1. All compartments of the interceptor shall have all fats, oils, grease, petroleum oils, sand, sludge, etc., removed once the final compartment begins to accumulate fats, oils, grease, sand, petroleum oils, sludge, lint, or other materials.
2. Replace or repair baffles, lid gaskets, inlet and outlet downturns, etc. so that the interceptor operates as designed by the manufacturer.
3. Fill the entire interceptor from the final interceptor compartment with fresh water up to the static water level before discharging wastewater from the kitchen sinks and drains. This pushes any residual grease backward into the first compartment and may reduce the frequency and costs for interceptor pumping.

Maintenance records and documentation for interceptors shall include, but is not limited to:

1. Date of service
2. Servicer identity (name and address of a Maricopa County Environmental Service Department ***licensed*** non-hazardous liquid waste hauler; or employee name and title if self-serviced)
3. Nature of service performed (pumped, repaired, inspection, replaced baffle, etc.)
4. Total quantity of material removed from the interceptor
5. Final disposal location for the material removed from the interceptor including the name, address, date, and quantity received.

Your cooperation is appreciated. The City's goal for commercial sewer users is compliance with environmental laws and prevention of sanitary sewer overflows, backups, and blockages.

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GUIDANCE SUPPLEMENT 1B: TRAP MAINTENANCE

Phoenix City Code Section 28-11 states:

Where preliminary treatment facilities are provided for any waters or wastes, they shall be maintained continuously in satisfactory and effective operation by the owner at his expense. The owner shall keep written records and documentation of all cleaning, repair, calibration, and maintenance required to demonstrate compliance with this section. Records shall be kept at the facility for a minimum of three years and be made available to the Director upon request. (Ord. _ G-1935, § 2; Ord. _ G-3662, § 1.)

Recommended trap maintenance includes, but is not limited to:

1. Accumulated materials shall be removed before the trap retention capacity is exceeded.
2. Replace or repair baffles, lid gaskets, inlet and outlet downturns, etc. so that the trap operates as designed by the manufacturer.
3. Inlet, outlet, and vent piping must be kept free of obstructions for the trap to operate efficiently.
4. Following cleaning and before being put into service, fill the trap with fresh water until it reaches the static water level.

Maintenance records and documentation for traps shall include, but is not limited to:

1. Date of service
2. Servicer identity (name and address of a Maricopa County Environmental Service Department ***licensed*** non-hazardous liquid waste hauler; or employee name and title if self-serviced)
3. Nature of service performed (pumped, repaired, inspection, replaced baffle, etc.)
4. Total quantity of material removed from the interceptor
5. Final disposal location for the material removed from the interceptor including the name, address, date, and quantity received

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