

Kitchen Sink P-Trap Drain Strainer Guide

Sunridge has installed a **P-TRAP** under your kitchen sink **that has a built-in strainer**. This will help catch excess fats, oil, grease, and food debris that could come into the drain line from your kitchen sink and dishwasher. It will contain much of it in the strainer so that it does not pass into the drain lines, which can build-up and cause plumbing problems.

Sunridge has also supplied you with you a regular in-sink-strainer to use in the bottom of your sink. This strainer can also be very helpful if used and emptied into your trash can, then your p-trap strainer will not have to be cleaned-out as often.

General Tips

A) Scrape all large food waste off of your dishes and into your trash can before washing them in the sink or placing them in the dishwasher.

B) DO NOT put excess fats, oil, or grease down the drain - CAUTION LET HOT OIL OR GREASE COOL DOWN FIRST.

THEN put the grease into a container and throw that into your trash can, or soak it up with paper towels and then throw them away into your trash can.

C) If you run your garbage disposal, run a good amount of water through it to help flush small debris down the drain lines.

Who is responsible for the p-trap strainer?

A) It is the Unit Owner's responsibility to keep and maintain the p-trap strainer clean and functioning properly.

B) Please be careful, all p-traps are made of plastic parts.

C) The less food debris, fats, oil and grease that is put down the drain the less it will have to be cleaned-out.

D) If the kitchen sink is draining slowly, it may be time to clean-out the strainer.

CLEANING THE P-TRAP DRAIN STRAINER - BE GENTLE

1) **Please be careful, all p-traps are made of plastic parts - Do not tug-on or overtighten any parts.**

2) **Make sure your kitchen sink is NOT full of water - Bail any water out of your sink into a bucket or pot, if necessary.**

3) Tools Needed: a large wrench or large pliers and a small bucket or pot or pan (to catch any remaining water in the line).

4) Place a small bucket, pot or pan under the p-trap. Then unscrew the square-shaped end cap by turning it counter-clockwise.

5) Slowly pull out the cap and strainer, and then tap and wipe the debris into your trash can - DO NOT rinse it in the sink!

6) Put the strainer back into the p-trap, and screw the cap back in clockwise until hand-tight.

7) **Suggestion:** Then very carefully use your wrench or pliers to very lightly firm up the cap to just a little tighter than hand tight.

8) Then run some water in the sink and make sure there is no water dripping from your strainer p-trap under the sink.

