

# How to Stop "Grease Theft"

## 1. Ownership

When the police are called, they are going to need to know who has ownership. The grease is either owned by the service company or the restaurant itself, depending on your contractual relations.

## 2. Value

To prosecute theft, a value has to be assigned to the stolen article. This is proven by knowing both the amount of fluid in the tank and the value of the fluid per lbs. It is good practice to measure the volume of the grease tank with a yard stick after each pour. This practice will identify the amount stolen and will assist in verifying the grease collection company's reports. Contact your grease collection company and ask what is the lbs per inch assigned to your tank. As for the value of the oil, again, contact your current grease collection provider to acquire the current market value of the oil according to the commodities report.

## 3. Identifying the Perpetrator

Typically, grease thefts occur at night when nobody is around. The best type of surveillance to use is a motion detecting camera. We like to install HD deer cameras because they are cheap, discreet, and mobile. Once a theft occurs, check the cameras and submit the pictures and value to the police for prosecution.



Picture of the same store and night different grease thieves



Picture of a grease thief's truck taken into custody

With SheepDog Administrative Support you will know when we were on location, how much oil we collected, and how much you are paid for that service call immediately at every service call.

This tool will help you determine immediately if a theft has indeed occurred on your property. Furthermore, BSG Environmental will assist in any prosecution of theft on your property with cameras and support.



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