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6 Points to Keep Super Bowl Parties from Turning into Toilet Bowl Disasters

Football fans are planning for the biggest game of the year. But if they don't tackle some plumbing precautions before kick-off, [Mr. Rooter® Plumbing](#) predicts their Super Bowl parties could turn into Toilet Bowl disasters.

Super Bowl Sunday is the second-largest day of food consumption, according to the [American Institute of Food Distribution](#). It's behind only Thanksgiving, which is in the busiest time of year for *Mr. Rooter* plumbers.

"Just like the holidays people pile into homes for Super Bowl parties, where they eat and drink more than usual," said Mary Kennedy Thompson, president of Mr. Rooter Corporation. "This can put a strain on your home's plumbing."

With toilets and garbage disposals working overtime, it increases the odds of them overflowing, getting stopped-up and malfunctioning. *Mr. Rooter* Plumbing recommends homeowners prep their bathrooms before their guests arrive, and keep an eye on their kitchens during the game.

Mr. Rooter Plumbing has six points to help prevent any plumbing interferences during the [Super Bowl](#):

1. Remove small objects and clutter on toilet tanks that could fall in, causing it to clog.
2. [Locate](#) and learn how to use the water shut-off valve under the toilet tank in case of an emergency. (It's a good idea to test it as well!)
3. Ensure a trash bin is in the bathroom. Don't flush paper towels, napkins or facial tissue.
4. Don't overload garbage disposal with leftovers, which could lead to a clogged kitchen sink.
5. Throw scraps in the trash or compost pile.
6. Avoid pouring grease down the drain.

Once the game is over and the guests have left, homeowners may find their garbage disposal needs a cleaning. *Mr. Rooter* Plumbing has a simple, inexpensive way to deodorize it – all you need is [ice cubes and citrus peels](#).

Just follow *Mr. Rooter* Plumbing's advice:

- Pour a large bowlful of ice cubes and a cup of orange, lemon or lime peels in the disposal.
- Turn on cold water and then the disposal for 30-45 seconds.
- Finally, turn off the disposal and continue to rinse with hot water for 15 seconds.

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