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Top 5 Tips to Keep Thanksgiving from Being the Most ‘Plumber-Ful’ Time of Year

WACO, Texas (Nov. 15, 2011) – Preventing plumbing problems in the kitchen during the Thanksgiving holiday is easy as pie *if* cooks know the dos and don’ts of their garbage disposals.

But year in and year out the Thanksgiving holiday brings a spike in emergency calls to plumbers for malfunctioning garbage disposals and clogged drains. In fact, the day after Thanksgiving is the busiest day of the year for plumbers.

“At Mr. Rooter® Plumbing, we want to make this holiday enjoyable for our customers, so we’re available in case a plumbing disaster happens,” said Mary Kennedy Thompson, president of Mr. Rooter Corporation. “Our *Mr. Rooter* service professionals take a great deal of pride in being a hero for our customers.”

With a house full of family and friends, more leftovers go down the drain. That means an increase in the chance of drains clogging and garbage disposals breaking.

After the Thanksgiving feast is cleaned up, it is important for cooks to know what should and should not be put down the drain.

“Garbage disposals weren’t designed to replace the trash can,” Thompson said. “On top of that, they usually get overworked during the holidays.”

While counting your blessings this Thanksgiving be thankful for these Top 5 Turkey Day Tips from *Mr. Rooter* Plumbing:

1. Don’t put turkey bones, skin and potato and onion peels down garbage disposal.
2. Throw leftovers in the trash or compost pile.
3. Feed waste gradually to prevent overloading the garbage disposal.
4. Avoid pouring grease down the drain; wipe off greasy pans before washing.
5. Don’t operate dishwasher if you suspect a problem. It discharges into the disposal.

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