

HOW TO UNCLOG A KITCHEN SINK

Water and other fun stuff simply not going down the kitchen drain? Plunging and other quick and not so quick fixes for clogged or slow draining kitchen sinks.

3 Key Things to Know Before Starting to Working on Your Clogged Kitchen Sink

Do not use caustic drain cleaning chemicals. Baking soda and vinegar do a nice reaction that can clear the sink if there's not a lot of water in it.

If your sink is clogged DO NOT USE THE DISHWASHER. The dishwasher drains through the sink plumbing. You WILL have a major mess.

Do you have a disposal and is it working? You might want to troubleshoot the disposal first.

If your garbage disposal is working properly but your kitchen sink still is not draining properly

First, use a plunger — note if you have two sink basins side by side, you have to close the other side with a rubber cap or your plunging will not work at all (all your pressure will just come up the other side!).

No luck, remove what you can, by hand. Remove as much standing water as possible and dispose of through another drain, toilet for example.

Try plunging again.

If plunging doesn't clear the drain notify us that your sink drain is not draining properly so we can schedule repair as soon as possible. In the meantime, do not use the dishwasher or the sink drains until drain is cleared.