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Keep Your Garbage Disposal Smelling Great!

Your garbage disposal may start to smell when food debris builds up. It may be a lingering odor or an overpowering stench, but a good dose of cleaning can clear the air.

Place a handful of ice cubes and citrus peels – lemons, oranges or limes – in the disposal. Turn on cold water and then turn on the disposal for 15 to 30 seconds. Then turn off the disposal and continue to rinse with cold water for 15 more seconds.

If you have grease buildup, turn on the hot water and then turn on the disposal. Squeeze a tablespoon of dishwashing liquid in the disposal. Run hot water for 15 to 30 seconds while the disposal is running. Finally, turn the disposal off and continue to let hot water run until the suds are gone.

Of course, the best way to ensure an odor-free kitchen is to prevent the smell before it starts. Never put bones, celery stalks and shrimp or onion peels down the garbage disposal. If you have large amounts of food to dispose of, scrape the scraps into the trash and just rinse the dishes off.

