Unclogging Sink and Shower Drains

Frequency

As needed

Materials & Equipment

- Wet Vac
- Hook
- Gloves
- Glasses

Areas Where Applicable

Sink, shower, coffee kitchen sinks and tub drains

Procedure

1) For unclogging sinks: Put on appropriate PPE. Remove the spring clip on the clevis. Remove retaining nut on pivot rod. Remove pivot rod. Remove stopper. Cover flange with the Wet Vac. Ensure a good seal is made. Cover hole at lift rod either by replacing the nut or covering the hole with TP. Switch on Wet Vac. If this does not remove the clog, transfer the work order to plumber. Clean up any mess created and rinse out Wet Vac in Slop sink or toilet.
2) For unclogging shower drains: Put on appropriate PPE. Remove strainer. Insert hook in drain using a twisting motion. Remove hair and dispose of in toilet. Rinse any dirt from shower and toilet. If this does not remove the clog transfer work order to the mechanic.

3) For unclogging tubs: Put on appropriate PPE. Remove overflow plate. Pull out lift linkage. Remove hair caught in spring. If this does not remove the clog transfer work order to the mechanic.

Safety & PPE Recommendations

PPE recommended includes hand and eye protection.

Performance Standards

Water should flow freely after unclogging.