GREASE CLEANING — GUIDE

What hood cleaning costs: compare the same scope

Request a system-specific quote. Compare access, ductwork, fans, reports and exclusions before comparing totals.

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There is no useful quote without a defined system. Ask for a written price after the contractor reviews the hood, duct route, roof access and current condition. Do not use a directory plan price as a cleaning price.

HoodFilters advises buyers to compare scope as well as total price. Its contractor-selection article says a lower quote may exclude parts of the system, documentation, setup or cleanup. This guide does not publish a market average that the source does not establish.

Send the same brief to each bidder

Describe the cooking equipment and fuels. Attach the last service report and accessible system photos. State when the kitchen can close and who can provide roof access. Ask for an onsite review if the route or access is uncertain.

Use this request:

Please quote our kitchen exhaust cleaning. Identify each hood, duct run and fan covered. State access limits, protection of cooking equipment, wastewater handling, reporting and cleanup. Show taxes and any extra charges separately. Explain what could change the final price.

Compare the quote line by line

Item	What to confirm
System coverage	Each hood, duct run and fan is named
Access	Roof entry, safe access and access panels are addressed
Condition	Heavy deposits and inaccessible areas are addressed
Work window	Closing time and return-to-use arrangements are clear
Documentation	Photos, service report and unresolved items are included
Extra work	Repairs and suppression service are separately described

Ask whether the price is for an initial recovery clean or recurring maintenance. Ask what happens if the crew finds a section it cannot reach. Keep those answers beside the quote.

Budget without a guessed average

Use the accepted written quote and the inspection plan agreed for your kitchen. Keep unquoted repairs separate. Record the currency and quote date. Reconfirm the scope when equipment, menu or opening hours change. Do not assume a recurring visit has the same scope as the initial job.

Sources

- HoodFilters, contractor selection, published October 4, 2026. Fetched 2026-11-10.

For information only. Confirm the current requirements with your local authority.

Frequently asked questions

Can I compare prices per hood?
Only if each quote covers the same ductwork, fans, access, reporting and cleanup.