



YOUR TOILET IS NOT A TRASH CAN

Please don't use your toilet as a trash can. Flushing anything other than human waste and toilet paper can cause problems with your household plumbing, the main sewer lines, our waste water treatment facilities and the environment.

Keep this in mind, even if whatever you flush down the toilet disappears, the pipe through which it flows before reaching the public sewer main is only four inches in diameter. If that is even partially blocked by roots, grease or debris, it won't take much to completely clog the pipe and cause a sewer backup. In addition to potentially causing clogs, many of the items people tend to flush contain toxic chemicals that can pollute local waters.

Here is a list of commonly flushed items that should be put in the trash instead:

Cat Litter Sinks to the bottom of pipes promoting sewer clogs. Even the "flushable" kind should not be flushed.

Cigarette Butts Non-biodegradable and full of toxic chemicals

Condoms They don't break down in water and can get caught on roots or debris in pipes

Dental Floss Another non-biodegradable item that can snag on roots or debris in pipes and trap other items. It is extremely hard on our sewage pumps

Diapers Even the "flushable" kind can clog your pipes

Dryer Sheets Full of toxic chemicals; the synthetic fabric will not break down in water

Feminine Hygiene Products Should never be flushed!

Wipes Baby wipes, sanitizing wipes, facial wipes, etc even though labeled "disposal" or "flushable" should never be flushed!

Protect Water Quality: DO NOT Flush Your Drugs!

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