



EXAMPLES OF DO NOT FLUSH ITEMS

Baby Wipes	Adult Wipes	Paper Towels	Rags
Syringes	Bandages	Dental Floss	Q-Tips
Socks	Underwear	Panty Hose	Glass
Kitty Litter	Seafood Shells	Latex/vinyl items	Aquarium Gravel
Feminine Products		Disposable and Cloth Diapers	
Disposable toothbrushes		Sanitary Towels and Incontinence Pads	
Plastic objects (toys, utensils, etc.)		Cigarette Butts	
Razors and Blades: Put these into a rigid container before placing in the trash bin.			
Medicines: Any unwanted or unused medicines should be returned to your local pharmacy for safe disposal.			

Clean water is critical to sustaining life and health, yet people often take for granted the flow of water into and out of their homes and businesses. Where does it go after we flush the toilet, empty the sink, take a shower or do laundry? Wastewater drains into the community's sanitary sewer system, an underground network of pipes that leads to the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). Sewers are designed to take away used dirty water from sinks, baths, showers, laundries, and toilets. Flushing away "unflushables" adds to the cost of operating and maintaining your sewers and the wastewater treatment plant. Putting trash down the toilet does cause blockages in sewers and possible damage to the environment.

"Disposable" doesn't mean flushable. Disposable means you should bag it and trash it... **don't flush it!** Most baby wipes and adult wipes are not flushable. This information is usually written in tiny letters somewhere on the package. Even if the phrase "flushable" or "safe to flush" is on the package, it may not be flushable. These "unflushable" and many "flushable" wipes do not fall apart in water like toilet paper. The wipes get tangled in the sewage with other wipes and debris, resulting in sewer clogs and expensive problems for your collections system/WWTP. These additional maintenance issues take time away from the operators and maintenance staff's daily activities and can impact you or your neighbor's sewer service.