

"Flushable" does not mean "flushable"

"Flushable" wipes are clogging sewer pipes!

Flushable wipes do not dissolve in the sewer system. Even if you only flush one, eventually wipes will collect in sewer pipes, pumps and equipment causing clogs and blockages, which may result in backups and overflows in your community or even in your own home.

Even if the package says "flushable," wipes should NEVER be flushed down the toilet. They belong in the trash.



THINK BEFORE YOU FLUSH™

Proper Disposal of Household Hazardous Waste



Many items in your home may be hazardous to the environment and your health. Leftover products that contain corrosive, flammable or toxic ingredients are Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and must be disposed of properly. HHW should never be flushed, poured down the drain or placed in the trash. You can properly dispose of HHW at the Monroe County Solid Waste Management District.

Below is a list of some Household Hazardous Waste you may find in your home:

- Bathroom cleaner
- Bleach
- Ammonia
- Pesticides and fertilizers
- Drain opening agents
- Old cleaning chemicals
- Toilet cleaners
- CLR cleaner
- Lime Away
- Fluorescent and CFL light bulbs
- Oxidizers
- Pool chemicals
- Hydrogen peroxide
- Gasoline
- Mineral spirits
- Paint and paint thinner
- Fuel additives
- Brake fluid
- Motor oil
- Batteries

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

For information about free, proper disposal of HHW and locations for disposal, contact:

Monroe County Solid Waste Management District

3400 S. Walnut Street
Bloomington, IN 47401
812-349-2020
gogreendistrict.com



City of Bloomington Utilities

600 E. Miller Drive
Bloomington, IN 47401
812-339-1444
bloomington.in.gov/utilities

IT'S A TOILET, NOT A TRASH CAN!



Protect Your Family, Community,
and Waterways from Sewer
Backups and Overflows

Flush **ONLY** toilet paper. Put trash in the trash can.



An overflowing toilet can ruin your home in an instant!

Just a small amount of household waste flushed down the toilet (or dumped down the drain or garbage disposal) can clog pipes and cause expensive and messy sewer backups in your home and community.

AVOID SEWER BACKUPS BY KEEPING THIS STUFF OUT OF YOUR TOILET:



Cotton swabs & makeup pads

Tampons, maxi pads & their applicators/wrappers

Bandages & sticker backs

Cleaning wipes

Paper towels and cloth towels

Diapers

Food & Scraps

CLOG

Did you know?

Improper disposal of Fats, Oils, and Grease (F.O.G.) is also a major cause of sewer backups in our community. Pouring F.O.G. down your drain may cause costly backups in the sewer system and your home. Dry wipe dishes and cookware with a paper towel before washing them and dispose of F.O.G. in the trash.



Baby & facial wipes



Dental floss



Kitty litter



Condoms & their wrappers



Hair



Prescription and OTC medications

! Unused prescription drugs and over-the-counter medicines should be dropped off at designated locations. Contact your local hospital, solid waste management district or pharmacy for disposal options.

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