

KNOW WHAT TO FLUSH

Know What Can Go Down The Drain

It's simple, human waste and toilet paper should be the only thing going down the toilet. Unfortunately, people have turned the toilet & floor drain into a trash can. From medications to cigarette butts, if it fits, people flush it. Flushing these types of items down the toilet causes home pipes to clog, wastes water (up to 5 gallons of water every time you flush) and most importantly can have a huge impact on our sewer system and not to mention our waste-water supply.

The toilet is not the only drain that people are using to get rid of unwanted waste; people are also using the kitchen sink as a trash can. Since the invention of the garbage disposal, which claims to grind even the hard stuff such as small bones and fruit peels, people have turned the sink drain into a common destination for kitchen waste. Again, as long as it fits, people throw it or pour it down the drain. Allowing trash to go down the kitchen sink (or any other drain in the house) may cause pipes to clog and can eventually lead to sewage spills that harm the environment, not to mention the additional costs to homeowners and the Sanitation District. Below is a list of items that people commonly flush that should not be going down the drain:

Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG)

Sanitary Products, Paper Towels, Diapers, Baby Wipes,
Facial Tissues and Products Claiming to be "Flushable"

Rubber Gloves

Prescription Drugs, Over-The-Counter Medications

Kitty Litter

Coffee Grounds and Eggshells

Household Hazardous Materials

Motor Oil

Pesticides

Paint



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