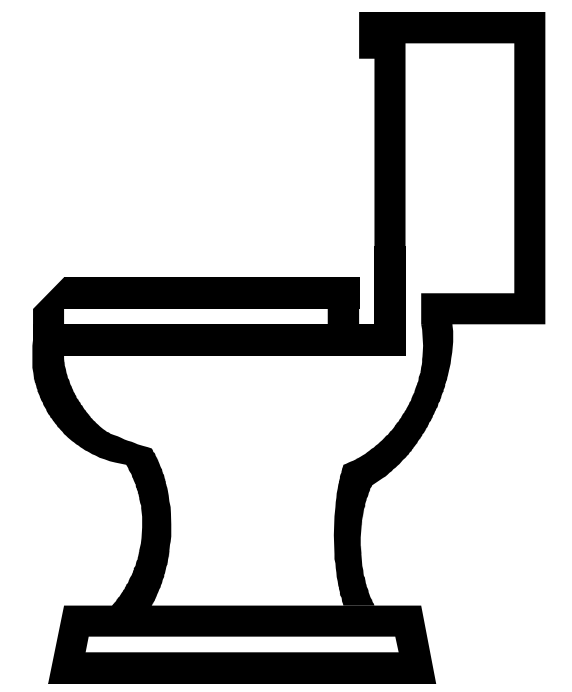




Down the Drain Sewer Safe Guidelines



Many items marketed as disposable and/or flushable do not degrade –unlike toilet paper— and wind up clogging pipes, tangling pumps and causing messy sewer backups into streets, businesses and homes.

The Public sewers are designed only to dispose of very specific things. The drains that connect your home to the main sewer are only 4 inches wide and big enough to carry water, toilet paper and human waste.

What Can You Do?

- Only flush the three P's - Pee, Poop & Paper
- Avoid purchasing “flushable” items or dispose of them in the trash, not the toilet.

Flushable:

- Toilet Paper
- Human waste



Non-flushable:

- Diapers (cloth, disposable, “flushable”)
- Facial Tissues
- Baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, moist wipes
- Toilet bowl scrub pads
- Swiffers
- Napkins and paper towels
- Dental floss
- Sanitary products (tampons, pads, condoms)
- Kitty litter
- Vitamins, medicine or other pharmaceuticals



What Happens if You Have a Blockage?

The City is responsible for maintaining and cleaning the City's pipes and frequently clears blockages. Homeowners are responsible for maintaining their side sewer, which connects from your home to the City's main sewer line in the street.