





PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Items that should NOT be flushed or put down the drain are causing lift station pumps to fail.

Any item, other than toilet paper, that finds its way into the wastewater system can cause serious maintenance issues. Items themselves, or in combination with other non-flushable items, can clog pipes, and prevent the proper functioning of lift stations. This can lead to sewer line blockages at your home and potential sewage back up.

The City requests that all customers please **DO NOT** flush the following:

- Wipes (baby, facial, cleaning, disposable),
- Any type of fabric (rags, towels, clothes),
- Plastics (bags, wrappers, bandages)
- Tampon applicators (plastic or cardboard),
- Feminine Pads,
- Small toys, 
- Hair, 
- Syringes,
- Medications,
- Fats, Cooking Oil, Grease, etc.



Let's work together to make simple adjustments to protect our valuable utility systems.

If you have any questions, please contact Public Works @ 907-600-4355

How To Avoid a Clog

- Use a sink strainer to catch food items and anything that may fall down your drain.
- Don't run water over dishes or cookware to wash oil down the drain. Instead, wipe them with a paper towel and throw the towel in the trash.
- Dispose of oil, grease and creamy or thick food items (butter, dressings, sauces, mayonnaise etc.) in a sealable container to throw away.
- If you have a lot of oil, mix it with cat litter, a little at a time, and pour it in a trash bag to throw away.
- Think of keeping your bathroom door closed so toys don't accidentally find their way into the toilet.
- Compost items such as coffee grounds, fruit and vegetable scraps, plant trimmings, teabags (remove staples), old potting mix, and eggshells.
- Maintain your drains by investing in drain guards, flushing your kitchen drain with hot water after doing dishes, limiting the type of body scrubs and exfoliants you use.
- Portions of the wastewater pump is only 3" to 4" in diameter, so be mindful of what you flush and pour down your drains.
- Remember that our wastewater system is not set up to process and treat "flushable" wipes.

