

Think Before You Flush!

Many people take it for granted that they can flush anything down the toilet. This is simply not the case – a toilet is not a garbage can!

Only human waste and toilet paper should go down the toilet. This helps to keep sewer pipes running freely and to reduce problems at your local wastewater treatment plant.

Please don't use your toilets and sinks as garbage cans. Properly dispose of items once you are done using them.



What about the Sink / Tub?

It is equally important to not dispose of items in the kitchen sink or bath tub. Fats, oils, and grease are a major source of problems in sewer lines. Never pour grease or fat down your drain. It quickly cools and solidifies no matter how hot it is when you pour it, creating a mess that could cost you money!

HELP PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY!



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Don't Flush That!

The Problem with Flushable Wipes

When wipes, including “flushable” ones are flushed down the toilet, they don't disintegrate and as a result they can clog pipes. This can lead to overflows causing health concerns, environmental issues and property damage.

For property owners, this will lead to blockages that can cause **raw sewage to back up into your home** and potentially costly repairs. For the Township, blocked sewer mains and plugged sewage lift station pumps increase unscheduled maintenance costs and may lead to an increase in water and sewer rates.



Where Does It Go?

The chart below lists the correct disposal method for many household items that are routinely flushed.

Don't know where it goes? Ask the Simcoe County Waste Wizard at www.simcoe.ca/SolidWasteManagement/Pages/wizard.aspx

Item	Toilet / Sink	Garbage	Green Bin
Wipes: disposable wipes and disinfecting wipes including flushable wipes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bandages and wraps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Extinguished cigarettes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coffee grinds, egg shells and food	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cotton balls, pads and swabs with a rolled paper or wooden rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cotton swabs with a plastic rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dental floss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disposable diapers and baby wipes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disposable toilet brushes and cleaning sponges	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fats, oils and grease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hair	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Paper towels and napkins	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

- = Incorrect disposal method
- = Only use this method if green bin option is not available
- = Best disposal method