DON’T Flush IT!

Toilet paper and human waste are the only things that should be put in the toilet. All other materials, like wipes, cotton balls, Q tips, and paper products will back up before they break down.

Put these items in the trash to avoid financially and environmentally costly sewer spills.

It may say ‘flushable’ on the package, but most times that’s the worst thing you can do.

Products labeled as ‘flushable’ might go down the toilet, but they don’t break down in the system as they should. A wipe, for example, won’t break down for days even weeks and can get clogged in your household plumbing. Imagine how many are flushed each day, and the potential situation building under your feet.

And it doesn’t stop there. If wipes and other flushed materials make it to the larger collection system throughout your neighborhoods, they can back up sewer collection lines and pump stations and cause financially and environmentally costly sewer spills.

And fats, oil and grease. What a mess. When it goes down the drain, it builds up along the pipes and debris in the pipes and can cause backups into homes and overflows into streets, the creeks and river.

Don’t flush it, or put it down the drain. Do your part. Put it in the trash.

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