

No matter what a label says, the only items you should flush are human waste and toilet paper.



What can I do?

Unfortunately, it's not a game. Clogged pipes can cause sewage overflows & costly damage to your property.

BUT YOU CAN HELP PREVENT THEM.

PROTECT YOUR PIPES

As of July 1, 2022, a new law is in effect requiring the "Do Not Flush" symbol to be printed on packaging of all disposable wipes products sold in Washington State, including baby wipes and cleaning wipes. This law was developed to benefit the environment, wastewater infrastructure, and residents throughout the state.

"Utilities across the country spent an estimated \$440 million in a year removing clogs caused by improperly flushed single-use wipes products.

Here in Washington state is no exception," said Judi Gladstone, Executive Director of the WA Association of Sewer and Water Districts. "Proper disposal of wipes in the trash can is the easiest way to help our planet and help our community at the same time."



Wipes do not disintegrate
in water as quickly
as toilet paper, and can
get caught on roots
or debris in pipes, and
in pump stations.
This can cause blockages,
costly infrastructure
damage, and
potential sewage spills.

Putting wet wipes in the trash helps protect your plumbing system and avoid expensive repairs and backups into your home.