

TRASH THE WIPES

What is allowed in the toilet?
Poo, pee & toilet paper



What about products labeled as **FLUSHABLE**?

Companies that make wipes may claim their product is flushable, but there is currently no general agreement on what is "flushable." Wipes frequently stay durable through the plumbing system. They can get snagged on globs of fats, oils, and grease, forming "Fatbergs" that clog the sewer and lead to overflows and basement backups. Only flush products that break down in water within seconds, like toilet paper.

FLUSHABLE DOES NOT MEAN BIODEGRADABLE

THINK BEFORE YOU FLUSH

Items which contribute to clogs are:



ADDITIONAL NO FLUSH ITEMS:

- Cigarette Butts
- Facial tissue, cotton balls
- Toilet scrub pads
- Napkins (paper or cloth)
- Paper towels
- Food and kitchen waste
- Fats, oils, greases
- Household chemicals
- Plastic of any kind
- Vitamins, medicines, or other pharmaceuticals



Wipes can cause breakdown of pumps in pump stations



Wipes can combine with fats and grease in the pipe to form "Fatbergs" and are the primary causes of overflows from the manholes