



AMERICAN WATER

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# SAVE YOUR PIPES

# NEVER FLUSH WIPES

(even if they say they're flushable)!



## AVOID COSTLY CLOGS

Many sewer blockages occur between the house or business and the utility's sewer main, where the property owner is responsible for correcting the problem. Avoiding blockages could mean avoiding an unnecessary plumbing bill.

Unlike toilet paper, many hygiene products and wipes don't break down once they are flushed. Rags and wipes, even those that are labeled as flushable, can clog your sewer pipes and leave you with a costly repair bill. On a larger scale, when these products make their way into the public sewer system, they can collect together and cause blockages in the sewer mains, get tangled up in pump equipment and result in service problems. So, instead of flushing these items down the drain, throw them in the trash.

### BOTTOM LINE

**These products can clog your sewer pipes and leave you with a costly repair bill.**

Instead of washing these items down the drain, throw them in the trash.



Check out our video on YouTube!

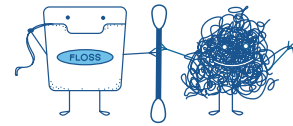
## 12 THINGS THAT SHOULD NEVER GO DOWN YOUR DRAIN

THOSE WIPES YOU THOUGHT WERE "FLUSHABLE" ...

**THEY'RE NOT.**

"FLUSHABLE" WIPES ARE ONE OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF CLOGGED PIPES.

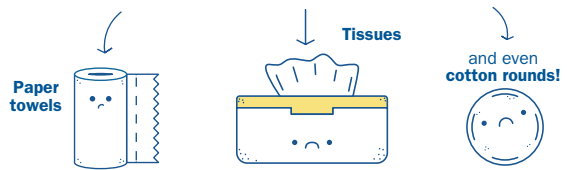
No rags of any kind should be flushed either.



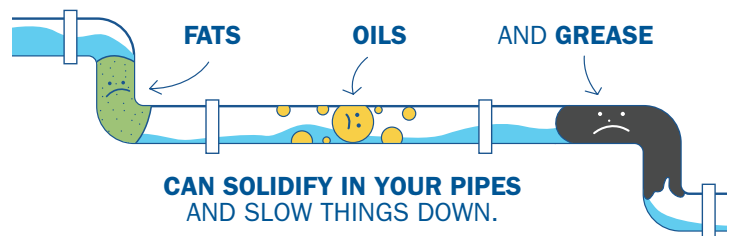
**DENTAL FLOSS, COTTON SWABS AND HAIR**

**CAN CAUSE STRINGY CLOGS IN YOUR PLUMBING.**

**OTHER PAPER PRODUCTS, LIKE**



**CONTRIBUTE TO A LARGE NUMBER OF BLOCKAGES, TOO.**



**CAN SOLIDIFY IN YOUR PIPES AND SLOW THINGS DOWN.**

