## WAIT, DON'T **FLUSH THAT!**



Are you about to flush that thing down the toilet? Hold on! Your toilet and drains are not trashcans. Even though a product may seem small enough to flush it does not mean that it should be. Flushing items that are not meant to be flushed, including those labeled 'flushable' can lead to problems in the sewer line. at the wastewater treatment plant and for the environment. Believe it or not, all of the items listed below have been recovered from municipal sewer systems and cause costly damage and sewer backups. When in doubt, stick to the Three Ps, pee, poo and toilet paper.

Acid Air Fresheners Automobile Fluids **Automobile Parts Bacon Grease Baked Goods** Bandages

Barbecue Sauce **Batteries Body** parts Bones **Books** Bras

Bread Dough **Building Supplies** 

Butter

Cake Frosting Candles Cement Cell Phones Cheese

Cigarettes and Butts Cleaning Supplies

Clothing Coffee Filters Coffee Grounds Compact Discs

Coals and Ash Cosmetics Cotton Balls Cotton Swabs Condoms

Cooked Meat Drippings

Cooking Oil **Diapers** 

**Deceased Pets Dental Appliances Dental Floss** 

Egg Shells **Explosives** Eyeglasses Facial Tissue Fat. Oil. or Grease

**Fertilizer Fireworks** 

Flammable Liquids

Fruit

Food Solids Gasoline Glue Gravy Guns Hair and Fur Hair Brushes Houseplants **Hunting Decoys** Rags Identification Cards

Insects Jewelry

Keys

Kitchen Grease

Lard

Lawn Mower Engines

Light Bulbs Mayonnaise Metal Objects

Money **Napkins** 

Oatmeal and Porridge Over the Counter Drugs

**Paint** 

**Paint Thinner Paper Paper Towels** 

Perfume and Bottles **Pesticides** 

**Photographs** Plastic Poison **Powders** 

Prescription Drugs

**Putties** 

Remote Controls

Rice Rocks

Rubber Bands & Balloons

Salad Dressing Sanitary Pads

Shoes Solvents Sour Cream **Small Appliances** 

Sponges

Sporting Goods Styrofoam Syringes

Tampons & Applicators

Teeth Tools

**Toothbrushes Toothpaste** Toys

Upholstery Vegetables Watches Wet Wipes

## **DRAIN TIPS**

Just because it's not on this list doesn't mean you should flush it!

'Biodegradable' products don't degrade fast enough for you to flush! They should go in the garbage and will degrade at the landfill.

Use boiling water or dish detergents like Dawn® to help degrease your pipes and prevent blockages from forming.

Don't buy the hype! 'Disposable' tampons and personal wipes should not be flushed! They are prime culprits in large blockages.