



Disposal of Wipes

The Town of Plympton-Wyoming is urging its residents to properly dispose of disinfecting wipes in the garbage — not the toilet.

The products have seen increased usage due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which has prompted worry about the increased flushing of the wipes — which “wreak havoc” on residential pipes!

We share residents’ concerns about the current situation and recognize that everyone is taking extra precautions to ensure that hands and surfaces are clean and disinfected.

While cleanliness is important, it’s also necessary to remember any type of disposable wipe, including baby wipes and wipes that are labeled as flushable, must go into the garbage and not be flushed into the sewer system.

Such items contribute to troublesome clogs because they do not break down the same way that toilet paper does. A clog can cause a residential system back-up resulting in localized flooding and property damage.

More significant clogs at the wastewater treatment facility can damage infrastructure resulting in costly repairs and potential interruptions in essential service.

Help keep our pipes and sewer systems clear by disposing of wipes in the trash can and not the toilet.

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