



Flush Responsibly!

*Did you know....
that when flushed down the toilet or
poured down your sink or floor drain
certain products may damage the sewer pipes
in your home and yard, the sewer system in your
neighborhood, Lake County's pumps and treatment
facilities, and the environment?*

The Lake County Public Works Department is asking residents to please refrain from disposing of certain products down your sink, floor drain or toilet. The following items should never be flushed down the toilet or discarded through a sink or floor drain:

GENERAL HOUSEHOLD WASTE

Dispose of in the trash

- Wet/dry cleaning cloths (Swiffer, etc)
- Any plastics (bags, gloves, condoms)
- Sanitary napkins and tampons
- Antibacterial wipes (Lysol, etc)
- Cooking oil, fat and grease
- Diapers and diaper wipes
- Cloth, rags and string
- Laundry dryer sheets

HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL WASTE

Use a chemical waste disposal program

- Pharmaceutical drugs
- Over-the-counter medicines
- Household cleaning chemicals
- Hygiene or personal care products
- Fuels, motor oil and antifreeze
- Paints and paint thinners
- Perfumes and cosmetics
- Lawn care chemicals

If you have questions about proper disposal of a certain item please call Public Works at (847) 377-7500 or email us at publicworks@lakecountyil.gov.

To learn about household chemical disposal options from the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) call (847) 336-9340 or visit www.lakecountyil.gov/swalco.

