

Wipes CLOG Pipes

Think before flushing anything but toilet paper down the toilet. Don't believe the labels. Flushable wipes don't break down and present a higher risk of causing blockages that adversely impact the sewer system.

Make sure that nothing goes into the toilet except, pee, poo and toilet paper. When you put wipes in the trash where they belong, you help avoid clogged pipes, costly repairs and possible sewage overflows.

Thanks for helping our community and protecting the environment of the Nambucca River.



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DON'T FLUSH WIPES

**Toilet paper is the only
paper product to flush**



No Wipes in the Pipes

Don't flush wipes

Wipes should never be flushed down the toilet. Toilet paper is the only paper product designed to break down in the sewer system. Only flush the 3 P's, pee, poo and toilet paper. Dispose of wipes in the trash.

Wipes cause clogs

When flushed, wipes can overwhelm sewer systems, causing blockages in pipes and pumps which can lead to sewer backups, costly repairs and even sewage overflows which impact the environment.

Wipes don't break down

Wipes are created using materials such as polyester, rayon, cotton or polypropylene and are intended to be strong so they do not break down when wet. If they don't break down when wet in your hand while in use, they won't break down in the sewer system.

Protect our environment

Blockages caused by wipes may result in the release of untreated sewage into the environment. This can create water quality issues in the Nambucca River that impacts recreational activities and the oyster industry.



We need your help to protect our pipes

If toilet paper isn't handy or is in short supply, you may think of substituting disposable wipes, paper towels or facial tissue. If you use these products, do not flush them down the toilet. Put them in the trash. Toilet paper is the only paper product that should be flushed down the toilet.

Disposable wipes are not designed to break down, even those labelled flushable. Wipes and other materials will clog pipes. Flushing anything other than toilet paper can cause sewer problems in pipes, pumps and wastewater treatment facilities, and it may contribute to sewage overflows.

Properly disposing of wipes helps protect against blockages in the sewerage system and pollution of the Nambucca River .