

Upper Providence Township Sewer Authority

Just a reminder of things you should not put down the drain!

Wipes of any kind should not be flushed down the drain. They do not deteriorate and can build up and cause a blockage or damage sewage pumping equipment. Even if the manufacturer label says flushable or septic system safe, they should never be discarded into the sewer system.

Grease should not be put down the drain. It will solidify, accumulate, and eventually restrict the drain pipe or even cause a full blockage.

Solvents, gasoline, oil, anti-freeze or other hazardous substances should never be poured down the drain! Such substances should be disposed of at an approved recycling center. In addition to being hazardous to our environment, they can damage sewer lines and equipment.

Solids such as glass, metal, gravel, sand, seafood shells, plastic, kitty litter, disposable diapers, and feminine products should never be put into the sewer system.

If you have any questions about any items or would like more information, please call the Sewer Authority at 610-566-5376

For those of you who have a sewer grinder pump serving your property, the following are a few things to remember.

Make sure the lid of the grinder pump is not covered. The lid must be accessible for maintenance and repair of the pump.

If you suspect that the grinder pump serving your property is not working, before you call the service number on the face of the control box on the outside of your house, check to make sure your breaker is turned on in your main panel. If the breaker is turned off, turn it on. If an alarm sounds, wait for approximately 15 to 20 minutes. If the pump is working normally, the alarm will stop. If the alarm continues, call the service number and press the silence button on the bottom left side of the control panel. Note the red light will continue to be on.

Please call if you have any questions about the grinder pump or how it works. There is also additional information on the Township web site under Departments, Sewer Authority, "What to do if the alarm sounds".

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