

Six Tips to Prevent a Sewage Backup

Never pour oils or fats down the drain.

When it cools down it becomes a solid, sticking to the inside of pipes and trapping other residue.

No wet wipes in the toilet!

Just because something is labelled as “flushable” doesn’t mean it breaks down.

Don’t flush solids.

This includes disposable diapers, hygiene products, or any other items that do not dissolve in water.

Pick up hair gathered around your drain.

Hair is a major cause of pipe blockage. Don’t watch it go down the drain.

Never put paper towels in the toilet.

They are built for absorption and durability, so they won’t break down easily when flushed.

Keep trees from growing near the sewer lines.

They can have deep roots which can cause movements or breaks in pipes. Contact Council for more info on suitable tree species.

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