

Putting the wrong stuff down your floor drain can lead to costly home plumbing repairs and sewer backups. It also wreaks havoc with MSD's sewers and treatment plants.

So keep your money in your pocket and your sewer rates as low as possible by learning "What Not To Flush."



Motor oil: Pouring motor oil, gas, antifreeze, and other automotive fluids down a drain or a sewer inlet can harm the environment and interfere with MSD's wastewater treatment process. These items are considered "household hazardous waste" and require special disposal (not in the regular trash).



Chemicals: Chemicals such as paint, pesticides, cleaning products, and lawn and pool chemicals should be properly disposed of in the same way as other household hazardous waste.



Yard Waste: Yard waste, including leaves, sticks, and larger limbs, can clog sewer pipes and lead to sewer backups. To prevent interference at wastewater treatment plants, this material needs to be filtered out by a screening process. Please dispose of yard waste responsibly.

