

# DEFEND YOUR DRAINS

Many products don't belong in your drains (meaning your kitchen drain, toilet drain, bathtub drain, or any other household drain). Defend your drains, defend your pipes, and defend your environment by using proper disposal methods.



TRASH IT

These items can clog pipes and cause blockages even if labeled "flushable." Throw them in the trash to prevent expensive plumbing repairs.



DISPOSE RESPONSIBLY

These products can damage your pipes and negatively impact the quality of our lakes, rivers, and streams. Visit [DefendYourDrainsNorthTexas.com](http://DefendYourDrainsNorthTexas.com) to learn how to responsibly dispose of them.

## WIPES



Wipes don't break down when flushed down the toilet.

## PAPER TOWELS



Paper towels are designed to be absorbent and strong and to not break down in water, so they will clog your plumbing.

## FEMININE HYGIENE



Pads and tampons are very absorbent and don't break down like toilet paper. They commonly cause plumbing issues.

## PERSONAL CARE



Everyday personal care products like cotton swabs and dental floss tangle up in your drains and can clog your plumbing.

## FATS, OILS, & GREASE



Your drains don't love bacon as much as you do. Recycle used cooking oil at a drop-off location.

## MEDICINES



The best medicine for your drains is no medicine. Return extra and expired medicines at take-back events.

## CLEANING PRODUCTS



Household cleaning products may clean your home but large amounts can be dangerous going down the drain. Take leftover products to the hazardous waste collection center.

## PAINT & PESTICIDES



Leftover paint and pesticides are considered hazardous waste and should be carefully taken to a hazardous waste collection center.