

Non-Flushable and Flushable Labelled Products

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PWEA Mission Statement

Advancing Pennsylvania's water quality professionals through education and training, promoting sound sustainable water policies, and fostering public stewardship of our water resources.

- To prevent problems with sewers, pipe and toilet blockages plus the human and environmental cost of sewer flooding and pollution, the organizations signing this statement below agree that:
- Only the 3Ps – Pee, Poo and toilet Paper – should be flushed.
- Currently, all wipes and personal hygiene products should be clearly marked as **“Do Not Flush”** and be disposed of in the bin or trashcan.
- Wipes labelled “Flushable” based on passing a manufacturer’s trade association guidance document should be labelled **“Do Not Flush”** until there is a standard agreed by the water and wastewater industry.
- Manufacturers of wipes and personal hygiene products should give consumers clear and unambiguous information about appropriate disposal methods.
- Looking to the future, new innovations in materials might make it possible for certain products to be flushed, if they pass a technical standard which has been developed and agreed by the water and wastewater industry. Preferably this standard would be developed under the banner of the International Standards Organization (ISO).
- Key requirements for any standard include that the product:
 - Breaks into small pieces quickly;
 - Must not be buoyant;
 - Does not contain plastic or regenerated cellulose and only contains materials which will readily degrade in a range of natural environments
- and in compliance with local legislative requirements









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