



What not to flush

Flushing these items can clog Banff's sewer system and damage infrastructure. Pouring items down storm drains can contaminate the pristine Bow River.

Hazardous waste and yard waste is accepted year round at the Town of Banff recycling centre at 120 Hawk Ave.

For more information visit banff.ca/livegreen or call 403.762.1240.

Product	Disposal method
Amonia/bleach	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Cat litter	<i>Bag & dispose in garbage bin</i>
Cage lining (e.g. newsprint)	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Cigarette butts	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Cotton swabs	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Clothing	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Dental floss	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Disposable diapers	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Feminine hygiene products	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Fertilizer	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Floor & furniture polish	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Food/leftovers	<i>Food recycling bin</i>
Hot tub chemicals	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Lotions & perfume	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Fuel, motor oil, lubricants & antifreeze	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Nail polish	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Paint, stripper, turpentine	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Paper towels	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Pesticides & herbicides	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Pharmaceuticals/medicines	<i>Return unused medicine to the pharmacist</i>
Shop towels	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Solvents, glue	<i>Hazardous waste drop off</i>
Wipes - baby & cleaning	<i>Garbage bin</i>
Wipes - flushable	<i>Garbage (they do not break down)</i>
Wood shavings	<i>Yard waste drop off</i>



Fats, oils & grease disposal for residents

Be careful about what you flush down your sinks, drains and toilets. Hot water and soap do not wash away the fats, oils and grease you pour down the drain. Instead, it solidifies in your pipes, clogs your sewer lines and could cause a costly sewage back up in your home.

Keep these items out of your sinks, drains or toilets:

fats: butter, margarine, shortening, etc.

oils: salad dressings, cooking oil (including deep frying), olive oil, sauces, lard, marinades, etc.

grease: chicken, hamburger, bacon, etc.

food: leftover grains, meat, vegetables, etc.

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Tips for home disposal of fats, oils & grease

- Scrape dishes before washing
- Use a paper towel to wipe down cooking utensils and cookware before washing. Toss the paper towel into the garbage or food recycling bin.
- Pour fats, oils and grease liquid in a container, such as a tin can or milk carton and place it into your freezer. After it freezes, dispose of it in the garbage. It is not recyclable.
- Use the food recycling bin to dispose of other foods.



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