

Sewer ~~Do~~s & ~~Don~~t's

HOW IS THE SEWER NETWORK ABUSED?

BY USING TOILETS INCORRECTLY

Blockages are caused by using toilets incorrectly, for example by using unwanted object other than toilet paper or by dumping cloth or any other foreign objects into the toilet.



BY DUMPING FOREIGN OBJECTS INTO THE SEWER SYSTEM

Blockages are caused by dumping foreign objects such as sand, beer cans, car parts, meat, stones and bricks, into sewer manholes and gulleys. This leads to sewage overflows at manholes and on private properties.



BY HAVING LEAKING CISTERNS

Leaking toilet cisterns not only waste expensive clean water, but also reduce the sewer pipe capacity. This results in sewage overflows.



BY COVERING MANHOLES WITH SOIL

Do not cover manholes with soil when ploughing in the field or when working in the garden. This complicates the work of the maintenance staff who have to enter the sewer system through the manholes to do maintenance work or remove blockages.



BY REMOVING MANHOLE COVERS

Manhole covers are sometimes removed and sold as scrap metal. Not only is this illegal, but open manholes are a health and safety hazard to the community.



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