

SEWER-SAFE CLEANERS vs HAZARDOUS CLEANERS*Eco-Friendly Choices for a Cleaner Community*

<u>All-Purpose Cleaners</u> ✓ Simple Green All-Purpose ✓ Method All-Purpose ✓ Seventh Generation All-Purpose ✓ Mrs. Meyer's Multi-Surface ✓ Fabuloso (Original) ✓ Dawn (diluted) ✓ Krud Kutter Original Why Safe: Biodegradable, water-soluble, non-solvent.	<u>All-Purpose Cleaners (Hazardous)</u> ✗ Industrial degreasers ✗ Solvent-based cleaners ✗ Petroleum cleaners ✗ Super Clean Degreaser (purple) ✗ Purple Power Industrial Strength Degreaser ✗ LA's Totally Awesome Degreaser (concentrated) ✗ Zep Industrial Purple Degreaser Hazard: Solvents damage pipes and disrupt wastewater treatment.
<u>Kitchen Cleaners</u> ✓ Dawn Dish Soap ✓ Palmolive Dish Soap ✓ Ajax Dish Liquid ✓ Simple Green ✓ Method Kitchen Degreaser ✓ Seventh Generation Dish Liquid ✓ Bar Keepers Friend (Soft Cleanser) ✓ Bon Ami Powder Cleanser Why Safe: Breaks down naturally; does not contribute to FOG buildup.	<u>KITCHEN CLEANERS (Hazardous)</u> ✗ Easy-Off Heavy Duty Oven Cleaner ✗ Easy-Off Professional Oven & Grill Cleaner ✗ Zep Oven & Grill Cleaner ✗ Weiman Oven & Grill Cleaner ✗ Goo Gone Kitchen Degreaser (solvent-based) ✗ Oven cleaners with lye ✗ Solvent degreasers ✗ Petroleum-based cleaners Why hazardous: Caustics and solvents that damage pipes and disrupt treatment, toxic, contributes to sewer blockages.
<u>Bathroom Cleaners</u> ✓ Scrubbing Bubbles ✓ Lysol Bathroom Cleaner ✓ Clorox Bathroom Foamer ✓ Method Bathroom Cleaner ✓ Seventh Generation Bathroom Cleaner ✓ Hydrogen Peroxide (3%) ✓ Vinegar + Baking Soda Why Safe: Non-corrosive, biodegradable, safe for wastewater systems.	<u>BATHROOM CLEANERS (Hazardous)</u> ✗ Drano Max Gel ✗ Drano Dual-Force Foamer ✗ Liquid-Plumr Pro-Strength ✗ Zep Sulfuric Acid Drain Opener ✗ Instant Power Heavy Duty Drain Cleaner ✗ Roto Professional Drain Opener (lye-based) Why hazardous: Lye and sulfuric acid destroy plumbing and kill treatment bacteria.
<u>Floors & Surfaces</u> ✓ Pine-Sol (Original) ✓ Mr. Clean Multi-Surface ✓ Fabuloso ✓ Method Floor Cleaner ✓ Seventh Generation Floor Cleaner ✓ Bona Hardwood Cleaner ✓ Vinegar + Water Why Safe: Low-VOC, biodegradable, water-soluble.	<u>FLOORS & SURFACES (Hazardous)</u> ✗ Zep Heavy-Duty Floor Stripper ✗ Klean-Strip Wax & Finish Remover ✗ Jasco Floor Stripper ✗ Klean-Strip Toluene ✗ Klean-Strip Xylene Why hazardous: Solvents like toluene/xylene are extremely toxic to wastewater systems.

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<u>Laundry Products</u> ✓ Tide ✓ Gain ✓ Arm & Hammer ✓ Purex ✓ All Free & Clear ✓ Seventh Generation ✓ OxiClean Why Safe: Designed for wastewater systems; fully water-soluble.	<u>LAUNDRY PRODUCTS (Hazardous)</u> ✗ Afta Spot Remover ✗ Goof Off Pro Strength Spot Remover ✗ Klean-Strip Mineral Spirits (used as stain remover) ✗ Carbona Stain Devils #7 (solvent-based) ✗ Dry-cleaning solvents ✗ Petroleum spot removers Why hazardous: Petroleum solvents and VOCs, toxic to treatment plant biology.
<u>Workshop / Garage</u> ✓ Simple Green ✓ Krud Kutter Original ✓ Zep All-Purpose ✓ Dawn Dish Soap ✓ Baking Soda Paste Why Safe: Non-solvent, biodegradable, safe in small household quantities.	<u>WORKSHOP / GARAGE (Hazardous)</u> ✗ CRC Brakleen Brake Parts Cleaner ✗ Gunk Brake Cleaner ✗ Gunk Carburetor & Choke Cleaner ✗ Berryman B-12 Chemtool ✗ SeaFoam Deep Creep ✗ Gunk Engine Degreaser (solvent-based) ✗ Klean-Strip Paint Thinner ✗ Klean-Strip Mineral Spirits ✗ Brake cleaner ✗ Carb cleaner ✗ Mineral spirits ✗ Paint thinners Why hazardous: Petroleum solvents, VOCs, toxic to aquatic life. Never sewer-safe; illegal to dump; highly toxic.
<u>Disinfectants</u> ✓ Lysol Clean & Fresh ✓ Clorox Clean-Up ✓ Microban 24 ✓ Seventh Generation Disinfectant ✓ Hydrogen Peroxide (3%) ✓ Isopropyl Alcohol (70%) Why Safe: Breaks down during treatment; safe in normal household amounts.	<u>DISINFECTANTS (Hazardous)</u> ✗ Lysol IC Quaternary Disinfectant (industrial) ✗ HDQ Neutral (quat disinfectant) ✗ Virex II 256 ✗ Dispatch Hospital Cleaner (high-strength bleach) Why hazardous: High-strength quats and chlorine disrupt wastewater treatment.

CAUTION: KEEP HAZARDOUS CLEANERS OUT OF DRAINS

Strong chemicals like Drano, Liquid-Plumr, Easy-Off, Super Clean, Purple Power, brake cleaner, mineral spirits, and paint thinner can damage plumbing and harm our sewer system. Never pour these into sinks, tubs, toilets, or storm drains. Use only as directed and dispose of leftovers at a hazardous waste drop-off site. A small amount can cause big problems — keep our community safe.