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DRAIN WASTE PIPE CARE

The re-pipe project is now complete. Any work and repairs during the warranty period to be found **NOT** due to improper materials, workmanship or arrangement shall be paid in full by the Owner. Residents should take care not to abuse our new drain waste vent pipes by following these guidelines:

- *Grease, fat and oils should be allowed to cool and placed in the trash. These items act as a binder for all sorts of materials and can create thick sticky globs that can coat pipes until nothing can pass through them.*
- *Run the water 10 seconds before engaging the garbage disposal and continue to run the water 10 seconds after the disposal is turned off.*
- *Coffee grounds, onion skins, and potato skins are items best thrown in the trash, rather than run through the disposal as they are not processed well by the disposal.*
- *Cooked pasta, rice, oatmeal, gravies, and sauces should also be thrown in the trash, rather than run through the disposal. These items will swell when in contact with fluids and may cause your disposal to stop working or clog the drain.*
- *Use high-efficiency (He) laundry soap. Follow the directions on the label, adding the proper amount of soap. More is **not** better. Soap residues will accumulate in the clothing fibers and the excess soap creates extra unwanted suds.*
- *Using tub and shower drain strainers will trap hair before it can enter the waste system.*
- **Toilet paper is the only paper product that can be flushed down the toilet.** *Please avoid flushing facial tissue, paper towels, cotton balls, napkins, rags, sponges or any paper product other than toilet paper.*
- *Flushing handi-wipes is not advised even if the label says doing so is safe to do. These paper products still can accumulate in the lower sections of pipe. Contrary to what their packaging says, flushable wipes are not, in fact, flushable. They are often made with rayon, viscose, or other plastics, which are ~~not~~ not biodegradable.*
- *Feminine hygiene products, condoms, and dental floss need to be disposed of in the trash.*
- *While medications most likely will not clog the pipes, disposing of medications in the trash will help to keep our water supply cleaner.*
- *Similarly, household fluids, such as household cleaners, and paint will not necessarily cause clogs, but the toxins and chemicals in these items can be harmful when they are mixed into the water supply.*
- *Although we have no known cats on the premises, kitty litter should not be disposed of via the drain waste system and should be disposed of in the trash*

The new drain system will serve the community well for many years if everyone follows the simple rules above.