DON’T PUT THESE ITEMS DOWN THE DRAIN

FOOD WASTES
- ANIMAL BONES / EGG SHELLS
- COFFEE GROUNDS / CORN COBS
- MELON RINDS / FRUIT PEELS
- SKIN / HOME BREWERY WASTE

PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS
- BANDAGES / CONDOMS
- DISPOSABLE DIAPERS
- SANITARY NAPKINS / WET WIPES

CHEMICALS/TOXINS
- AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS
- CAUSTIC CLEANERS
- HARSH DETERGENTS
- FLOOR STRIPPER
- HERBICIDES / PESTICIDES
- MEDICATIONS / DRUGS
- PAINTS - OIL-BASED
- QUATERNARY AMMONIA
- SOLVENTS / THINNERS

OTHER PRODUCTS
- CAT LITTER
- CIGARETTE BUTTS
- CLOTH TOWELS / RAGS
- FILM DEVELOPING WASTE
- METAL / PLASTIC OBJECTS
- MODELING CLAY
- PAPER TOWELS / SCRAPS
- PLASTIC BAGS
- RV WASTE
- STRING / YARN / NYLON
- STICKS / YARD WASTE

REFER TO THIS LIST TO HELP KEEP YOUR SYSTEM PERFORMING PROPERLY.

RECORD KEEPING
- Keep copies of all system drawings/plans of the site/
  installed equipment/service records with all other
  home appliance documents. Record all applicable
  information.

LAUNDRY/WATER USAGE
- Spread wash loads throughout the week. Instead of
  liquid fabric softener, dryer sheets should be used. Use
  a low-sud, biodegradable detergent, like the Mighty
  Mike® Laundry Detergent from Scienco/FAST (www.
  sciencofast.com).

LEAKY FIXTURES
- Large quantities of water are added to your wastewater
  system when you have leaking fixtures. Timely detection
  and repair can help to maximize the life of your system,
  especially the drain field.

WATER SOFTENERS
- The FAST® process may tolerate discharge from
  properly operating softeners that backwash as needed
  based on water usage (DIR) vs. timer operated systems,
  if allowed by your local regulatory authority. However,
  these discharges can possibly damage other parts of
  the septic system.

FOOD WASTES
- Garbage disposal waste is acceptable - if allowed by
  your local regulatory authority. However, it may lead to
  more frequent removal of solids from your septic tank.
  For large quantities of food, please dispose of in the
  garbage.

FATS, OILS, & GREASE
- Be aware too much grease (i.e. animal fats, vegetable
  oils, lard, etc) down the drain may overload or prevent
  the bacteria from fully breaking down the waste.

DISINFECTANTS / CLEANERS
- Use citric acid, chlorine, and/or other biodegradable
  cleaners according to the manufacturer’s
  recommendations. Products containing quaternary
  ammonia or pine oil-based cleaners should not be used.
  Use drain cleaners as a last resort to unplug pipes.

MEDICINES
- DO NOT FLUSH THEM DOWN ANY DRAIN. All
  antibiotic medicines are harmful to treatment quality.
  Unused medications should be returned to the
  pharmacy, doctor, or thrown away in the trash.
- NOTE: As the human body absorbs ≤20% of these medications, please notify your service provider of medicines in the house. This could reduce troubleshooting efforts and possibly your maintenance bill.

FLOOR DRAINS FROM GARAGE AND WORKROOMS
- Items like petroleum-based oils, gas, and saw dust
  should never enter the system.

SEPTIC TANK ADDITIVES / ENZYMES
- The wastewater in the system contains all the
  required bacteria for proper operation. Additives are
  unnecessary, and may do more harm than good.

PAPER PRODUCTS
- Use single- or double-ply, non-quilted, white toilet paper
  products. Some color dyes in the paper cannot be
  eaten by natural bacteria. Non-bleached paper (brown
  in color) takes longer to break down and can therefore
  increase your biosolids pump out frequency. Avoid
  flushing paper towels, napkins, wipes, or other thicker
  paper material.

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Only qualified service persons should open any access port on a septic
  system. Always secure all access covers of the tank, control panel
  and blower to ensure no one can enter without the use of proper tools.
- DO NOT USE flame or sparks near a septic tank access point(s). Gases
  emanating from septic tanks can explode if ignited, or deadly if inhaled.
- Influenza organisms exist in a septic tank. If in direct contact with
  wastewater, immediately wash and disinfect all exposed areas. Please
  contact personal physician(s).