



# SA Water

## How to keep sewers healthy



Easy to read



Government of  
South Australia

## Hard words



This book has some hard words.

### The first time we write a hard word

- the word is in **blue**.
- we write what the hard word means.

## You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

- read this book
- know what this book is about
- find more information.



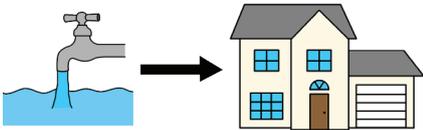


## About this book

This book is written by SA Water.



When you see the word us or we,  
it means SA Water.



SA Water

- brings clean water to your home



- takes used water from your home.



This book is about how to keep  
**sewers** healthy.

A sewer is an underground pipe for taking human waste and used water to a safe place.



Healthy sewers do **not** have many blockages.

Healthy sewers do **not overflow**.

Overflow means sewage spills into the environment.

## What can go in your toilet?



There are 3 things that are safe to put in your toilet.



1 Toilet paper.



2 Pee.



3 Poo.

## What cannot go in your toilet?

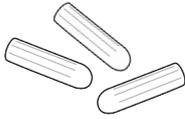


There are things you should **not** put in your toilet.

For example



- sanitary pads



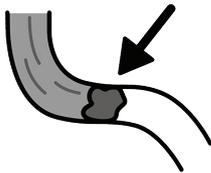
- tampons



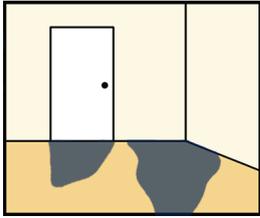
- wet wipes



- condoms.



These things are **not** safe for our sewers and might block your pipes.



## Blocked pipes can lead to overflows

- in your home



- in your garden



- in your street.

## More information



Contact SA Water for more information.



Call 1300 729 283



Website

[sawater.com.au/my-home/leaks-or-blockages/sewer-blockages](https://www.sawater.com.au/my-home/leaks-or-blockages/sewer-blockages)



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