

## **AVOIDING PLUMBING PROBLEMS**

Plumbing repairs are costly, and no one wants to get stuck with a bill. Improper use of toilets, dishwashers, garbage disposals, and other components may result in tenant charges. To avoid property damage and repairs, it is important that tenants use the following guidelines:

## **Toilets**

Most clogs are caused by disposable items. Never flush the following items:

Baby wipes or cleaning wipes	Unused medications
Diapers	Hair
Cotton swabs / Q-tips	Sanitary napkins
Syringes / blades	Latex items such as condoms or gloves
Food wrappers	Plastic
Clothing	Sponges
Toys	Kitty litter
Band-aids	Dental floss

## Garbage Disposals

Your garbage disposal is not meant to handle large amounts of waste. Do not put the following things into the garbage disposal or kitchen sink:

Rice or pasta	Animal bones
Grease	Egg shells
Shrimp or shellfish	Peels or skins of any kind (potato, orange, banana, etc.)
Fruit pits	Any kind of stringy or fiberous vegetable (asparagus, celery, lettuce)
Non-food items	Silverware and kitchen utensils