

THE DIRTY DOZEN

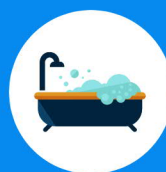
FOR SEPTIC SYSTEMS

These twelve products & chemicals can have negative effects on septic systems & should be *strictly limited in use, or even eliminated*:



Liquid Fabric Softeners.

Fabric softeners coat clothes with slimy chemicals that are harmful to your septic system



Bath & Body Oils.

Avoid using oily lotions & personal care products with micro plastics (micro beads)



Drain Cleaners.

Toxic drain cleaners can affect healthy bacteria activity & impact the ability to properly treat wastewater



Toilet Cleaners.

Most products contain harsh cleansers that can cause long term problems with continual use



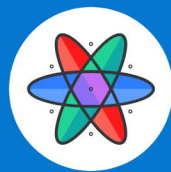
Spray Shower Cleaners.

The sanitizing & emulsifying features of these products are very harmful to septic systems



Degreasers.

Degreasers contain dangerous carcinogens that flow through your septic tank & into the soil



Quaternary Ammonia.

Known as "quats", these complex organic salt compounds are found in many products like disinfectants, surfactants & fabric softeners



Prescription & OTC Drugs.

Never flush drugs & antibiotics down the drain - they can kill healthy microbes in the system & cause increased maintenance



Antibacterial Products.

These chemicals kill bacteria & microbes but are **NO MORE** effective at deactivating viruses than any other soap or detergent



Powdered Detergents.

Dry detergents may have fillers, sealants or extenders that can clog your dispersal field



Surfactants.

Found in almost every detergent, soap & cleanser, surfactants lead to faster solids buildup & the degradation of soil



Construction Debris.

Paint, chemicals, gasoline, oil, pesticides & antifreeze can stress or destroy the biological treatment in your system

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