

# Instructions for your home grinder pump system

## **General Information**

Your home is served by a low pressure sewer system. The tank collects all solid materials and wastewater from the house. This includes showers, sinks, laundry and toilets. The grinder pump generates sufficient pressure to pump this material out to the sewer system and eventually to the wastewater treatment plant.

## **Care and Use of your Grinder Pump**

Your grinder pump is capable of accepting and pumping a wide range of materials and products. However, even though this grinder pump may grind or pass these products the following items should never be introduced into any sewer system. They include the following:

Glass	Seafood Shells	Diapers, Socks, Rags,	Syringes
Cotton Swabs	Personal/Cleaning Wipes	Disposable Toothbrushes	Latex/Vinyl
Metal	Plastic Objects (Toys, Utensils)	Kitty Litter	Dental Floss
Aquarium Stone	Sanitary napkins/ Tampons	Cigarette Butts	Bones
Bird Seed	Baby Wipes/Person Wipes	Paper Towels	Cooking Grease

## **Caution: Kitchen garbage disposals do not keep grease/oil out of the septic system**

In addition, you must NEVER introduce into any sewer:

Explosives	Strong Chemicals	Lubricating oil or grease	Fuel oil
Flammable Materials	Gasoline	Paint	Paint Thinner
Window Cleaners	Pharmaceuticals		

Such items introduced into your low pressure grinder pump system can potentially cause harm to anyone working on the system. It will also reduce the lifespan of the grinder pump causing it to be replaced and will also increase the amount of call outs and service required for your system

## **Periods of Disuse**

If your home or building is left unoccupied for longer than few weeks, perform the following procedure:

**PURGE the System.** Run clean water into the unit until the pump activates. Immediately turn off the water and allow the grinder to run until it shuts off automatically. If it is a duplex system allow enough time to ensure both pumps turn on and shut off automatically

## **Special Note: Never disconnect power or turn power off to System**

## **Power Failure**

Your grinder pump cannot dispose of wastewater without electrical power. If electrical service is interrupted, it is advised not to use any water

## **Pump Failure Alarm**

Your grinder pump should be equipped with either an audible or visible alarm. In the event the alarm signal is on call Koberlein Environmental Services immediately and notify them of your grinder pump alarm situation. Before the arrival of Koberlein Pump Technicians water usage should be kept to a minimum.

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