

Sewage Back-Up ?

What To Do



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Some helpful tips

- Pump exposed area dry and clean out debris.
- Open all windows and doors for drying and ventilation. Use electric fans.
- Keep children away from exposed areas.

When a sewage back-up has occurred in your home, it is important that all exposed surfaces be scrubbed and sanitized.

Floors and contact surfaces should be disinfected. It is suggested that 1/2 cup of household chlorine bleach to one (1) gallon of water be used.

Remove carpets and rugs that are affected. Consult a professional carpet cleaner for the proper cleaning method for your type of carpet.

Liquid will have soaked into the padding beneath the carpet. In most cases, the padding must be discarded. If you do not remove your affected carpets, rugs, or padding, your house will not be clean.

Curtains and draperies should be cared for by a professional dry cleaner.

Scrub all usable furniture thoroughly with soap and water. Use the community tap water which contains chlorine. Remember, when in doubt, call a professional.

CAUTION: Never combine chlorine solutions with ammonia. A gas is formed that can be fatal. **DO NOT** mix any cleaning solutions together.

If you need further assistance, please call Public Health at (937) 225-4362.