

TRIVILLAGE REGIONAL SEWAGE SERVICES COMMISSION SANITARY SEWER LINES - BLOCKAGES

POLICY STATEMENT :

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POLICY BACKGROUND:

1. The Trivillage Regional Sewage Services Commission owns and operates a sanitary sewer collection system consisting of trunk sanitary sewers, sanitary sewer mains and sanitary sewer services from those mains to the property line of any lot.
The Trivillage Regional Sewage Services Commission recognizes a responsibility to maintain this system such that the system will function as intended to carry away liquid wastes meeting the following criteria:
 - No person shall discharge into the sanitary sewer any fat, grease, improperly shredded garbage, ashes, cinders, animal parts or any other solid or viscous substance capable of causing obstruction to the flow of a sanitary sewer.
2. The owner of any building or facility connected to the sanitary sewer collection system has a responsibility to ensure that any liquid waste discharged from their property line into the Trivillage Regional Sewage Services Commission sanitary sewer system meets the criteria outlined above.

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1. The unplugging of any blockage in a sanitary sewer service from the building to the property line and from the property line to the sanitary sewer main and within a building caused by discharging of any of the prohibited substances listed in Article 1 above is the responsibility of the property owner, both with respect to engaging a sewer cleaning service to unplug the sewer line and bearing the cost of such service. The unplugging of a blockage of a sanitary sewer caused by tree roots from trees located on private property is considered to be the responsibility of the property owner.
2. All costs incurred by the Trivillage Regional Sewage Services Commission may be charged to the property owner and collected by the municipality as taxes owing.

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3. The Maintenance Manager shall have discretion as to the handling of sewer blockages.

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