

# PETS & SEPTIC SYSTEMS

A few tips to maintain your septic system with pets:

It is common for homeowners to bathe their pets in a bath or shower. Fur can go down the drains and reach your septic tank. Hair does not break down easily and will build up over time. Use either a drain cover or install a drain cover with small openings so you can capture hairs within the drain.

Pet shampoos may contain harsh chemicals, especially tick and flea shampoos. These chemicals can cause an adverse reaction in your septic tank.

Do not throw cat litter or dog waste down the toilet. These items can get caught up in pipes and jam up the septic tank entry port. Also bacteria from dog waste can disrupt the delicate balance of the required bacteria for your septic tank. Septic tanks are designed for human waste.

