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Sewer Back - up Policy

Please be advised that effective this date the approved policy regarding sewer back ups and the responsibility of Greenwich Township is as follows:

The sewer lateral is owned and operated by the property owner. As a courtesy Greenwich Township will help the owner maintain the line from the vent to and including the sewer main. The township will respond to calls for assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in a reasonable amount of time and will attempt to resolve the problem as quickly as possible. Because Greenwich Township cannot control materials wasted to the sewer system and the impact it may have on a lateral service, a sewer problem that requires work to be performed outside the scope of normal maintenance or service will be done at the Department's discretion and convenience. No maintenance or service will be performed on any sewer lateral between the vent, to and including the building where the burden of service will be the responsibility of the property owner to obtain.

The property owner is responsible for maintaining access to his/her sewer vent and will be responsible for the cost of repairs, maintenance or service in the event of damage unless the damage is caused by employees of or working for Greenwich Township. Sewer blockages caused by the discharge of materials considered to be excessive or abusive of the wastewater collection system will be subject to fines and/or penalties as mandated by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and/or the Environmental Protection Agency at the time the incident occurs.