Wal-Mart Hit With Flushable Wipes Lawsuit By NH Couple

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A New Hampshire couple has filed a flushable wipes lawsuit against Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Rockline Industries for allegedly marketing and selling flushable wipes that cause harm to plumbing and sewer systems.

Plaintiffs Eugene and Victoria R. filed this Wal-Mart flushable wipes lawsuit in New York federal court in August alleging that in their New Hampshire home, they experienced plumbing issues allegedly caused by the flushable wipes.

Eugene and Victoria claim that they regularly began purchasing Equate Flushable Wipes manufactured by Rockline from various Wal-Mart stores near their home in 2012. According to the **flushable wipes lawsuit**, after flushing the Wal-Mart's purportedly disposable wipe products down their home toilet, the plaintiffs experienced plumbing issues related to their septic system and had to employ the help of professional plumbers to come and fix the damaged septic system, costing them approximately \$7,000.

According to the Wal-Mart flushable wipes lawsuit, "because flushable wipes do not disintegrate immediately upon flushing, like toilet paper, they cause serious problems for homeowners and municipalities alike."

"An article in New York Magazine chronicling the problems caused by flushable wipes points out that flushable wipes do not break down as easily as toilet paper, nor can they, if they are to do their job effectively," the disposable wipes lawsuit states.

"To be useful, flushable wipes must be strong enough to do their job effectively, which cannot be done if they disintegrate in water as easily as toilet paper," the couple adds. Thus, the Eugene and Victoria claim that had they and other potential Class Members been aware that disposable wipes would lead to potential toilet problems, then they would have opted for a cheaper product that did not misrepresent itself as flushable. This Wal-Mart flushable wipes class action lawsuit seeks to represent more than 100 potential class members that would include all persons and entities in the United States who purchased the Equate Flushable Wipes.

The Problem With Flushable Wipes

Although these wipes are often labeled as flushable, biodegradable, and sewer and septic safe, it is believed that some of these products do not actually break down in water and can cause serious plumbing problems. Consumers, who followed the flushing directions, found their toilets and septic tanks clogged with wipes. Although they are supposed to biodegrade quickly, homeowners are incurring hundreds of dollars in extensive repairs just to unclog plumbing and fix septic tanks.

Consumers have reported even seen wastewater backflow into their home through showers and sinks. Even if consumers correctly follow the disposing directions on the disposable wipes packaging and flush one wipe at a time, they are still experiencing plumbing issues.

If you purchased adult flushable wipes such as Equate Flushable Wipes and experienced damage to your home's plumbing systems, you may be able to file a class action lawsuit.

The **Wal-Mart Flushable Wipes Lawsuit** is Case No. 1:2015cv04579, in the United States District Court Eastern District of New York.

Join a Flushable Wipes Class Action Lawsuit Investigation

If you purchased one of the following flushable wet wipes, you may qualify to join a free class action lawsuit investigation:

Babyganics® flushable wipes

Charmin Freshmates

CVS flushable wipes

Equate® flushable wipes by Wal-Mart

Kandoo® flushable wipes by Pampers

up & up® flushable wipes by Target

Walgreens flushable wipes

Other flushable wipe products