

Cleaning Products & Household Items <u>1500 Series BAT[®] Media Plants & Other Jet Plants</u>

As cleaning products continue to change with growing environmental issues it is important that we keep in mind the impact of new household items to our onsite sewage treatment systems. Several of these new products fall into the realm of hi-tech washing machines and detergents. Currently most consumer publications will tell you that the front loading washing machines are the best option. Front loading machines use less water over all and are more energy efficient. One other notable advance in washing machine technology is the HE (high efficiency) washing machine. Due to fact that HE machines use less water, these HE machines will require special HE detergents. The HE detergents are formulated to be low-foaming, and also have smaller recommended doses. Overall, HE machines are acceptable as long as the manufacturer recommendations are followed!

Aside from the type of machines that are used, it is important to remember that there are other basic factors that can impact the performance of our onsite treatment systems. One thing to keep in mind is that doing laundry all at once can overload the system with laundry wastewater. While it may be an inconvenience, staggering your laundry wash loads evenly over the course of the week is the best practice for maintaining a healthy onsite treatment system. One other helpful suggestion is using one half or one quarter of the recommended detergent dose per load of laundry. This will not only save your family money, but is also beneficial to your onsite treatment system. A final thought is that when choosing detergents look for some key features such as, low-sudsing, bio-degradable, and detergents that contain little or no phosphates.

Recommended	Not Recommended
Arm & Hammer	Ivory Snow
Era	Tide
Oxydol	Surf
Dreft	Fab
Gain	Wisk
Fresh Start	Ace
Borax	Amway
Bio-degradable	Chlorine Bleach

• <u>AVOID</u> the detergents which are high sudsing, anti-bacterial, or contain chlorine bleach.

• **<u>DO NOT USE</u>** liquid fabric softeners (use dryer sheets)

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