



Right At Home

'Tis The Season For Flushing

(NAPSA)—It may not be a season that's celebrated, but it still comes around every spring and fall. It's flushing season. The time of year when cities and towns flush out the water mains to help remove sediment which has settled in the pipes. You know flushing season is here when you see city crews opening fire hydrants around town.

The problem with flushing season is that some of the minerals and sediment being flushed get into your home water system. While not dangerous, this can lead to some ugly, rusty stains in sinks and toilet bowls and especially on your laundry. So the problem then becomes finding a cleaner that will safely get rid of the stains. Because after all, flushing season will be back again next year.

Studies found ordinary household cleansers were not very effective against rust and iron stains in sinks, basins and toilet bowls. We also discovered that the popular oxy-based laundry additives couldn't get the orange-colored spots and stains out of clothes, while bleach tended to lighten the stain but set what was not removed.

Having little success with general cleansers, we turned our attention to products made specifically for rust and mineral stains. The most effective products were specially-formulated reducing agents such as Super Iron Out. You can find it at most mass merchandisers, grocery stores and home improvement stores.

Reducing agents work by actually changing the chemistry of iron and rust, breaking it down



You can remove rust and iron stains caused by flushing season.

into a clear solution that can simply be rinsed away. They are safe and can be used on everything from toilet bowls to the kitchen sink. You can also safely add them to water softeners, dishwashers and washing machines. They will fight the rust and help prevent further stains.

What's more, we found Super Iron Out was equally as effective at combating iron and rust stains on laundry. Used as an additive along with laundry detergent, it safely eliminated rusty stains on all washable fabrics.

Prepare now for flushing season and all the "color" it brings. To discover more about flushing season and what you can do to protect your home from rusty water stains, visit www.flushingseason.com.