



## SPECIAL NOTICE

### SMOKE TESTING OF SEWER LINES

To better serve residents, the City of North Miami will be conducting **smoke testing of the sanitary sewer system** in your neighborhood. Smoke testing is a routine and effective method used to locate sewer odors, leaks, breaks, and improper connections.

**Sewer Smoke testing will take place within the next  
72 hours between 7:00 am to 5:00 pm**

The smoke you see coming from the vent stacks on houses or holes in the ground is NON-TOXIC, NON-STAINING, ODORLESS, WHITE TO GRAY IN COLOR AND IS NOT A FIRE HAZARD. If the smoke gets into your house, please open windows and doors to ventilate and notify the field technicians who are conducting the test.

On the outside of your house or your neighbor's house you may notice smoke coming from:

- Sewer vents
- Gutters and downspouts
- Out of the ground along sewer lines

On the inside of your house, smoke or its odor may come out of the plumbing or fixtures. This is an indication that dangerous gases and unpleasant odors from the sewer may enter your house. This should not happen if your plumbing is in good working order. You can minimize the chances of this happening by running enough water into the sinks, tubs, and showers to fill the sewer trap with water. Do not forget floor drains.

If smoke enters your home or building, identifying and correcting the source is strongly recommended. Repairs to plumbing or sewer lines on private property are the responsibility of the property owner.

**IMPORTANT!** If there is any individual in your home or business who has respiratory problems and is immobile, please notify us at **(305) 895 9838** prior to testing.

**This notice is available in Spanish (Español)  
and Haitian Creole (Kreyòl Ayisyen).**  
Visit: [www.NorthMiamiFL.gov/SmokeTesting](http://www.NorthMiamiFL.gov/SmokeTesting)