

# Waste/Drain Lines Cast Iron



**Cast Iron Drain/Waste Lines (black or rusted in appearance):** Commonly installed in homes built before 1975. Based on its age alone, be aware that this material has reached or exceeded its intended design life and will need to be replaced soon.

## Signs & symptoms of old waste lines:

- Slow drainage at sinks/tubs
- Waste backup into tubs
- Sewer gases released into home
- Leaks and related water damage

Once a waste line leaves the house, it runs underground for an unknown length (commonly 30' - 120') until it connects to the sewer system.

Underground waste lines are the homeowner's responsibility and may be deteriorated, disconnected, or have roots growing through them.

**Before buying a house built prior to 1975, ALWAYS get the waste line scoped with a camera.**

Keep your eyes peeled for small cast iron sections going into the floor - this indicates that the underground waste line may consist of cast iron.