Some Human Factors issues to consider...

“How user friendly is your graywater system?”

- Installation - is the system easy to assemble and install? Can you do it yourself?
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- Use – is it compatible with your physical abilities (i.e. not overly physiologically straining)?
- Maintenance – Do you have a list of all system parts of the system so that you can replace them when necessary?
- Filter (if applicable) – if your system has a filter, can you access and clean it easily?
- Water storage (if applicable) – if your device stores water, is there an indicator to signal when to discharge the water if it becomes unsafe to keep storing it?
- Diversion device:
  - is it clearly labeled?
  - it is easy to divert the water?
  - do all members of your family know the ‘rules’ about when to use it?
- Output line – is it clearly labeled?
What is San Diego Chapter of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society?

The San Diego chapter of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (SD-HFES) is a local chapter of the national professional group, the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (HFES). SD-HFES promotes the development of systems and devices that complement the characteristics of the humans who operate them, resulting in safe work processes and usable tools and ‘gadgets’.

We are proud to be a part of the 2010 San Diego EarthWorks celebration, and to advance the ideal of a healthy, prosperous and sustainable future for all living things. The responsible use of graywater by San Diego residents helps our community to achieve sustainability in water usage.

Please visit our website at www.sdhfes.org, where you will find a compilation of information and ideas about ways that YOU can save money and help our local San Diego environment, through the use of graywater.