



WHY SCOOP?

Unsettling Facts About Dog Waste

We ♥ our dogs, but their poop - not so much! Scoop the poop every time!



Dog waste is NOT fertilizer for your lawn.

In fact, it is just the opposite and can be very toxic to your soil. Due to their high-protein diet, dog waste is highly acidic and will actually burn your grass creating brown patches.



Your lawn mower doesn't help, in fact can make it worse.

Mowers will actually chop up the waste into smaller pieces and spread it further throughout your yard where you, your children, and your pets continue to step in it and then bring it into your home.



Just one gram of dog waste can contain as many as 23 million fecal coliform bacteria.

Waste can seep into groundwater and spread salmonella and giardia. This poses a hazard to your pets, your family and your landscape.



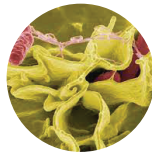
The EPA classified dog waste as a dangerous pollutant in the same category as toxic chemicals and oil.

The average dog discards approximately three quarters of a pound of waste per day, which adds up to 275 pounds per year. Your yard might be more polluted than you think.



Dog fecal matter is a major contributor to stormwater pollution.

One out of three households have at least one dog, and all that dog poop left out can be blown into storm drains, lakes, and streams. When in water, the liquefied waste consumes the oxygen and releases ammonia which contaminates our resources as well as harms the fish that reside there.



The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) confirms that hookworms, ringworms, tapeworms and Salmonella can be spread by contact with infected dog waste.

It can take over one year for dog waste to decay but even when it has visibly disappeared, the parasite eggs it contained can linger on for years in your soil - leaving your family and your pets vulnerable to serious infection.



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What you can do.

Bag it and trash it. ALWAYS.

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HELP KEEP STORMWATER CLEAN

BAG & TRASH **PET WASTE**



PICK UP AND THROW AWAY
TRASH. RECYCLE PLASTICS

USE **HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS**
SPARINGLY. SAFELY DISPOSE



FIX **AUTO LEAKS** AND
RECYCLE **OIL**

MULCH OR COMPOST **GRASS,**
LEAVES & YARD DEBRIS



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