



# Don't Pollute... PICK UP MY POOP!



It's the right thing to do.



When dog waste isn't picked up, rain washes it into streams, rivers, and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay.



Dog poop has 23 million yucky bacteria in every, tiny gram!



Dog poop attracts nasty rats.



**KEEP OUR  
WATER  
CLEAN!**



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- **Dog waste contains bacteria and parasites that can make people, children and pets sick.**



- **Dog poop is not a fertilizer.** Dog's have a high protein diet that creates poop with high levels of nitrogen and acid that is bad for the health of yards and plants.



- **Dog poop contains much more bacteria than wildlife waste** (e.g. deer) because a dog's diet contains animal products (unlike herbivores such as deer.)



- **Dog poop is a source of water pollution.** Bacteria and parasites (such as roundworm) from pet waste wash into our waterways when dog waste is left on the ground, even in your yard.



- High levels of bacteria in the water make it **unsuitable for swimming, fishing and boating.**

**Be a protector, not a polluter.**

## Here's how:

- 1 Plan:** Always take plastic bags with you.
- 2 Pick Up:** Place the plastic bag over your hand like a glove and scoop the poop.
- 3 Pitch It:** Properly dispose in a trash can.

**Whenever your dog goes in your yard, you should still scoop the poop.**

**Never place  
pet waste  
in a storm drain!**



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