

What's the Problem with Pet Waste?

It's a health risk to pets & people, especially children. It's a nuisance to neighborhoods. Pet waste is full of bacteria that can make people sick. Unless people take care of it, the waste enters our water with no treatment.



How can you get rid of pet waste and keep our waters clean?

Here are some options:

- Scoop and flush it down the toilet. That's the best because then your community sewage treatment plant or your septic system treats the pet waste.
- Seal the waste in a plastic bag and throw it in the garbage.
- Bury small quantities in your yard where it can decompose slowly. Dig a hole one foot deep. Put three or four inches of waste in the hole. Cover the hole with at least eight inches of soil. Bury the waste at several locations in your yard and keep it away from vegetable gardens.