

Proper Disposal of **Pet Waste**



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The Scoop on Poop:

FACT: Picking up after your pet is not only the polite and neighborly thing to do, but it is the law in Chula Vista (CVMC 6.24.050). Being a responsible pet owner means always picking up after your pet, no matter where you are.

FACT: Pet waste that is washed or discarded into the storm drain system will contaminate local waterways and San Diego Bay with bacteria that are harmful to the environment and to humans.

FACT: Contrary to some beliefs, pet waste is not a good fertilizer for the environment. Even pet waste in your yard can be washed into the storm drain as a result of over-watering or heavy rainfall.

Make better choices... *with the environment in mind.*

- When walking your pet, always remember to carry a pooper-scooper and a plastic bag to pick up your pet's waste.
- Dispose of pet waste in a garbage can or flush it down the toilet. Pet waste should never be disposed of in a storm drain or waterway.
- Use plastic pet waste bags, available at many City of Chula Vista parks and recreational areas. In addition, many homeowners associations (HOAs) provide pet waste bags, and have posted signs to encourage proper pet waste disposal.
- Don't forget to pick up after your outdoor cat. Place cat waste and litter in a plastic bag before disposing it in the trash.

Be a responsible pet owner
by helping us keep Chula Vista clean!

