

Why is proper disposal important?

This is how it works.....

- Your pet “goes” on the grass.
- That waste contains bacteria that pose a health risk to people.
- When it rains or storms, the waste gets washed into the streets and flows down the storm drain into area streams and rivers where people may come into contact with it.



STORM DRAINS MARKERS REMIND US THAT STORM WATER RUNOFF GOES DIRECTLY TO STREAMS

Scoop It, Bag It, Trash It

For more Information:

[www.mariettaoh.net](http://www.mariettaoh.net)

Search: Storm Water, Pet Waste or Dog Park

or call

Washington Soil and Water  
Conservation District  
740-885-3312



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Get the Scoop.....

On Pet Waste



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## Just some facts

- Dog waste contains twice as many harmful pathogens as human waste & can cause diseases such as giardiasis & salmonella.
- Dog waste can contain hookworms, roundworms & other parasites that can transfer to humans simply by walking barefoot near the waste.
- There are over 1000 licensed dogs within the City of Marietta.
- The average dog creates 1/2 lb. of waste per day. That's 500 lbs. of dog waste per day in the City!!
- City Ordinance 920.03 prohibits leaving pet waste on the ground. This includes dog, cat or other domestic animal waste.
- Signs are posted throughout the city as a reminder to clean up after your pet.
- Need a place for your pooch to run? Try the Marietta Dog Park at 1201 Cisler Dr. located in Jackson Hill Park.

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## Dos and Don'ts

### Pet Waste .....

- **Don't leave or discard** on yours, or anyone else's property. Pathogens are dangerous to kids and adults enjoying the lawn, wooded areas, parks, cemeteries, or the bike path. Be especially mindful in Marietta's well field area in Indian Acres Park and the Fair Grounds to protect the City's drinking water supply.
- **Don't toss onto a garden.** It can contaminate anything edible growing in your garden.
- **Don't flush** down your toilet. Your septic system or the City Waste Water Treatment Plant is not designed to treat it.
- **Don't add to compost.** The compost won't generate enough heat to kill the pathogens.
- **Don't leave near a curb or anywhere near the storm drain system.** This adds harmful bacteria to our streams and rivers.
- **Do pick up after your pet.** Bag and place the waste into your household trash.
- **Do report violations:**
  - ⇒ *For private property call the Health Dept. 740-373-0611*
  - ⇒ *For public property call the Police Dept. 740-376-2007*

**Remember..**

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