

# TOP 3 REASONS DOG GUARDIANS MUST SCOOP THAT P💩💩P

## HEALTH & WELLNESS OF PEOPLE, PETS & PLANET



- Dog poop is classified as a pollutant, not fertilizer; it contains E. coli, parasitic worms and other harmful organisms such as Giardia and Salmonella hazardous to other pets, animals, and humans.
- Roundworms and hookworms deposited by infected animals can live in the soil for long periods of time and can be transmitted to other animals and humans.
- Rain water carries poop and pollutants directly into waterways, drinking and swimming water.
- Dog poop adds nitrogen to the water which depletes oxygen in water necessary for grasses, wildlife and fish.



## REPUTATION OF PET GUARDIANS & DOGS

- Being a responsible pet guardian may encourage more pet-friendly public & private spaces, such as housing, hotels, transportation, restaurants, parks, beaches, etc. to accept pets and keep fees to a minimum.
- Your neighbors and community will appreciate your good manners and attention to cleanliness; no one likes to step in dog poop, get it on their shoes, and spread it into their homes, cars and businesses. It's easy to carry plastic baggies in your pocket and to dispose of them in proper garbage receptacles.
- Your family, house guests-and your pets, will appreciate preventing odors in your home by scooping your yard on a daily basis.

## IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO & THE LAW!



- Many urban and suburban areas require you to pick up after your pet.
- Even if there's no restriction, for all of the above reasons, cleaning up after your pet is the right thing to do!