



R-5 CITY OF MISSION VIEJO REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF PET WASTES

Pet wastes left in the environment may introduce solids, bacteria, and nutrients to the storm drain. The type and quantity of waste will dictate the proper disposal method. Small quantities of waste are best disposed with regular trash or flushed down a toilet. Large quantities of wastes from herbivore animals may be composted for subsequent use or disposal to landfill.

Pick up after your pet! It's as easy as 1-2-3. 1) Bring a bag. 2) Clean it up. 3) Dispose of it properly (toilet or trash). The pollution prevention activities outlined in this fact sheets are used to prevent the discharge of pollutants to the storm drain system.

Think before you dispose of any pet wastes. Remember - *The ocean starts at your front door.*

Required Activities

- All pet wastes must be picked up and properly disposed of. Pet waste should be disposed of in the regular trash, flushed down a toilet, or composted as type and quantities dictate.
- In order to properly dispose of pet waste, carry bags, pooper-scooper, or equivalent to safely pick up pet wastes while walking with pets.
- Bathe pets indoors and use less toxic shampoos. When possible, have pets professionally groomed.
- Properly inoculate your pet in order to maintain their health and reduce the possibility of pathogens in pet wastes.