



Why Scoop the Poop?

Besides being a nuisance, uncollected dog waste is a problem in Dorado. Next time you're tempted to leave your dog or cat's droppings on the lawn, please remember these facts:

1. The Environmental Protection Agency is becoming aggressive about enforcing the Clean Water Act. Our association could be fined if dog waste goes uncollected.
2. Uncollected dog waste may lead to a special assessment. If fined by the EPA, the association could face a potential special assessment that would be levied against all members—not just dog owners.
3. The appearance and quality of the common areas are known to affect home sales—not just whether and for how much they sell, but how quickly.
4. Animal waste contains bacteria that can pollute stormwater and be transported to our fragile desert washes. It can harm the environment and may pose a risk to children, pets and wildlife.
5. Uncollected dog waste spreads disease and attracts rodents who feed on pet waste.
6. Be a courteous neighbor. Clean up after your animals – everyone will appreciate it.
7. Dispose of your pet's waste by putting it in a bag and then putting the bag in the garbage. Don't leave pet waste in your yard and never dispose of it in washes or in the desert. Pet waste does not "go away" and it doesn't turn into fertilizer.
8. Last but not least – **IT'S THE LAW!** City of Tucson Code Chapter 4, Section 4-28.