

**If YOUR
dog does
its duty,
please do
YOURS**

Don't Dump into Drains

 Storm water runoff in the City of Delaware drains directly into the Olenyangy River, without being treated. It is important that pollutants such as pet waste, soaps, trash, chemicals, and automotive fluids do not end up in our storm drains. Pet waste can carry viruses and bacteria that are extremely harmful to humans and animals that live in or near our streams. 



**Dog feces
can
contain:**

**Heartworm
Whipworm
Hookworm
Roundworm
Tapeworm
Parvovirus
Giardia
Salmonella
E. Coli**

Even if you regularly vaccinate and have your dogs tested, **set a good example** for those that do not.

City of Delaware Pet Waste Stations

Currently the City of Delaware has installed and regularly maintains 17 pet waste stations around the City. There are additional ones that have been installed by home owner associations and other active community groups. If you are interested in taking your dog for a walk or to a local park/trail, consider **these locations** that offer the pet waste stations:



Veterans Park/behind the YMCA, Stratford Woods, Mingo Park, Cheshire @ Braumiller, Smith Park, Locust Curve Trail/Playground, Kensington Trail, Wetlands behind Glenwood Commons, Nottingham Park, Shelbourne Forest, Carson Farms Playground

Fecal Facts:

 **2 or 3 days worth of droppings from a population of 100 dogs can contribute enough bacteria to create unsafe swimming areas within a 20 mile radius.**

 **Pet waste is classified as a dangerous pollutant by the Environmental Protection Agency. This is the same classification given to toxic chemicals and oils.**

 **Dog waste increases the presence of flies and other pests that aid in the transmission of diseases.**

 **When people (especially children) touch soil, dog toys, or anything that has come in contact with dog feces and then touch their mouths, they can become infected with diseases that can cause damage to the brain, lungs, liver, heart or eyes.**



*Protecting Public Health
Providing Environmental Responsibility*

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