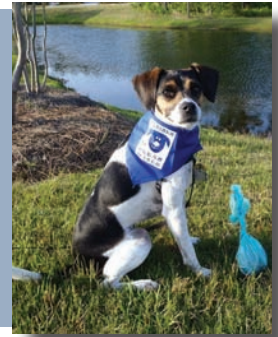


TOWN OF CEDAR POINT AND TOWN OF CAPE CARTERET Preventing Pet Pollution-It's Your Doody!



Preventing Pet Pollution

Pet waste left on sidewalks, streets and yards can be washed into coastal waters by even the lightest rain. Bacteria in the waste is washed into ditches and storm drains. From there it can flow untreated into local creeks, rivers and sounds.

This bacteria contamination can make it unsafe to harvest shellfish or swim.



How to Properly Pick Up After Pets

- (1) Bring a plastic bag along when walking your pet
- (2) Properly dispose of pet waste by bagging and disposing it in a closed trash can or pet waste receptacle
- (3) Do not hose pet waste toward sidewalks, streets or gutters

Did you Know?

“Did you know that a day’s waste from one large dog can contain 7.8 billion fecal coliform bacteria, enough to close 15 acres of shellfish beds”
– Thurston County, Washington

References and Resources

- City of Wilmington Stormwater Services - http://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/public_services/stormwater search canines for clean water
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