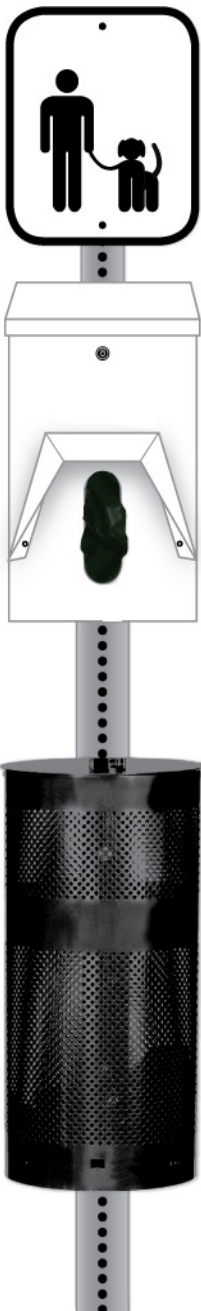


Pet Waste Dispensers



If you are facility that allows pets, it is important to consider how you will handle pet waste. Besides the aesthetics of your facility, the health of your tenants and the surrounding community are also as important.

Pet waste contains many harmful microorganisms. If not picked up, pet waste gets into creeks, streams, lakes and ultimately Puget Sound via storm drains and surface water runoff. The solution is safe and easy. Scoop the poop, put it in a plastic bag and place it in the trash.

There are numerous manufactures that have kits, much like the one pictured to the left, available at a reasonable cost. We recommend that your pet waste station have a dispenser with bags, a sign indicating what the dispenser is for, along with a trash can for used bags.

The city is happy to supply you with stickers to place on your larger trash receptacles to indicate that pet waste bags are accepted and to remind residents the importance of taking care of their pet's waste.

Did you know?



A single gram of pet waste contains **23 million** fecal coliform bacteria.

Roundworm, E. coli and giardia are just a few of the harmful microorganisms found in pet waste that can be transmitted from pet waste to humans. Some of these microorganisms can survive as long as **four** years in the yard.



Sticker for pet waste receptacles.

There is no requirement for multi-family complexes to install a pet waste receptacle but there are City of Everett ordinances addressing the need to properly dispose of pet waste. Fines and penalties can be assessed under City Surface Water and Animal Control ordinances if violations of the provisions are substantiated. Want to learn more? Contact Apryl Hynes, ahynes@everettwa.gov or 425-257-8992