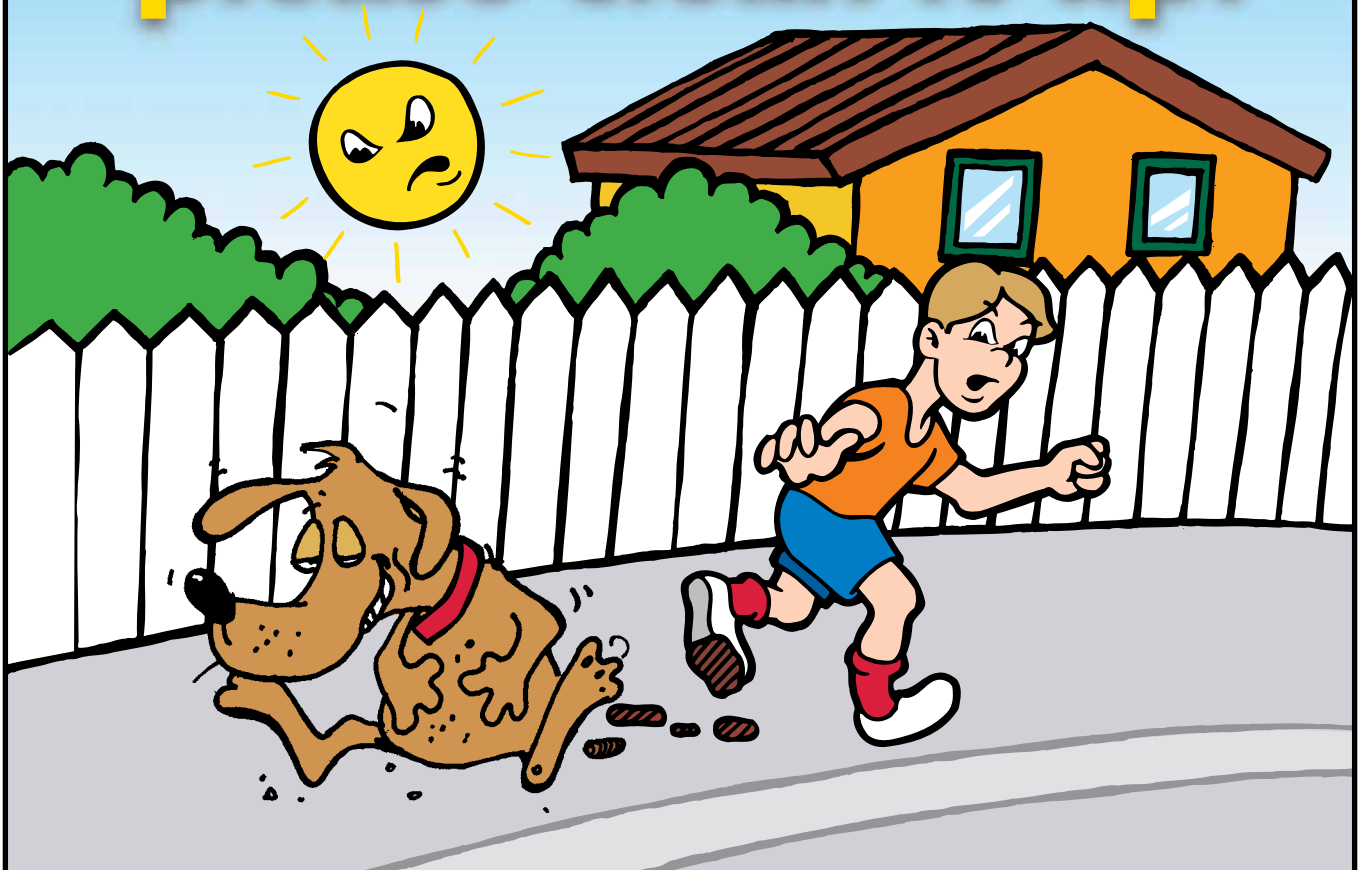


If your dog fouls in a public place please clean it up!



Don't forget "SCOOP THAT POOP"

Dog numbers are on the increase which means doggie do do's are too.

"Yuk" why should I clean it up?

Tonnes of faeces are deposited in our parks, reserves, streets and properties every day.

Besides being an offensive odour and a breeding ground for flies, dogs may transmit diseases to humans.

Did you know your dog can get diseases from other dogs' faeces?

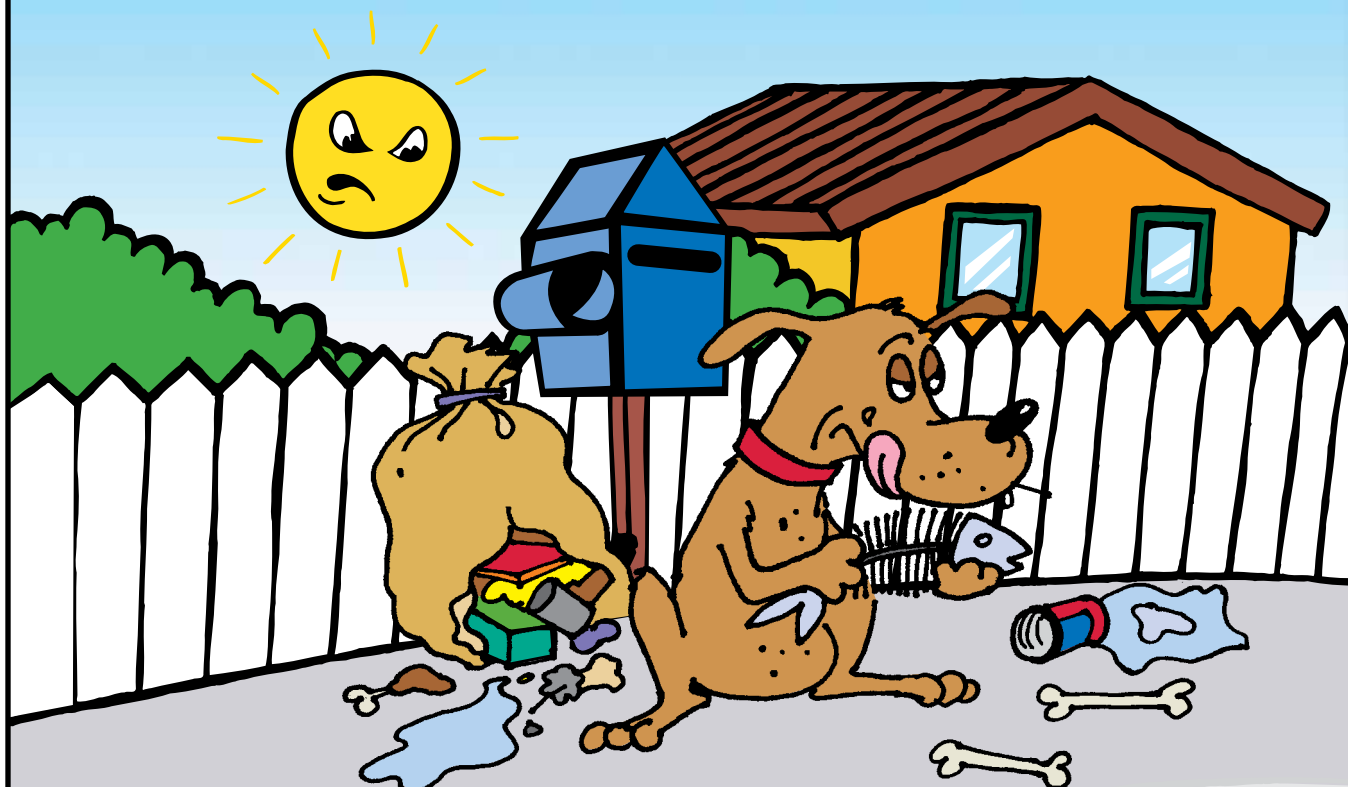
- Parvo-virus
- Roundworm
- Tapeworm
- Distemper
- Hookworm
- Whipworm

Enjoy the pleasures of dog ownership but please don't "spoil" it for the rest.

Use a simple pooper scooper or just a plain old plastic bag.

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Why Dogs Should Not Roam



Dogs roam for four reasons:

1. An urge to roam (inherited from its ancestor the wolf)
2. In search of food
3. In search of a sexual partner
4. To seek out company (dogs are social animals)

Roaming dogs, what's the big deal?

Roaming dogs can cause a serious public health risk

Aggression, contamination, traffic hazards etc.

Promotes anti-social behaviour

Roaming strengthens and encourages instinctive behaviour. It causes dogs to act independently and promotes disobedience.

Enhances natural canine characteristics

Worrying stock, chasing moving objects, becoming territorial etc.

Contributes to unwanted pregnancies

Every year thousands of unwanted dogs are euthanased at shelters and dog pounds.

Conditions anti-dog public

Dogs ripping open rubbish bags and fouling on people's lawns etc.

Creates more stringent laws

The more public outcry about uncontrolled dogs, the more stringent the laws. The action of some dog owners unfortunately penalises all dog owners.

Causes dog fights

Male dogs hanging around a bitch in season can behave in a very agitated manner. Dogfights are likely under these circumstances

and the danger of dogs getting injured or even killed is high. There is also the potential for very serious human injury.

Enhances aggression

Roaming enhances many different motivations for aggression.

For example; Expanding territories and challenging intruders

Aggression shown towards strange dogs

Sex and hormonal related aggression

Predatory aggression (instincts to chase)

Causes contamination from the spread of disease

Dog faeces are unhygienic and can harbour disease.

Increases the chance of your dog being stolen

All shapes and sizes of dogs are reported missing every day.

Roaming dogs are an easy target. Dogs may be stolen and used

in dogfights. Even non-fighting breeds can be used for practice.

Adds to the costs of dog ownership

Increased impound fees.

The more resources required to deal with complaints, the higher the dog registration fees.

Veterinary bills to stitch up injuries from fighting.

The penalties for allowing dogs to roam are severe.

Roaming can also be the cause of several behavioural problems.

A dog that is used to having freedom, now expected to be confined, is likely to protest. This can be in the form of destructive behaviour, digging holes, becoming agitated and barking excessively.

For everyone's benefit please keep your dog under control at all times