

PICK-UP PLEASE!

Seeing our pet's stools strewn all over the yard is both disagreeable to see and smells bad. However, these stools also put our health and that of our pets at risk! Intestinal parasites in our animals lay eggs which can be found in the environment and which can re-infect them. In the same way, we can be contaminated by these parasites and develop diarrhea, vomiting and even blindness. When your furry companion sniffs the ground, licks his paws or eats rodents, he risks swallowing these little parasitical eggs which will in turn quickly develop in his intestine. This problem must not be taken lightly!

That's why at every annual visit to the veterinarian, it is important to bring a stool sample for analysis to detect the presence or absence of intestinal worms. Moreover, our animals should be treated regularly. For example, an outdoor cat should be treated against worms every two months during the summer.

To reduce the risk of contamination, it is important to always pick-up after your animal when taking a walk as well as picking up all the stools in your yard, including those of wild animals. Remember to wash your hands when you work in the garden and don't forget to have your children wash their hands when they have been playing in the sand box. Better safe than sorry!

So, spread the word... Pick-up please!

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