

## Top 10 Reasons to Pick Up After Your Dog

1. You ensure everyone who uses the parks, trails and open space has a safe and enjoyable experience.
2. You help eliminate the unsightly and unpleasant presence of dog waste.
3. You help preserve wildlife and natural areas.
4. You help eliminate environmental and public health problems that could result from the dozens of diseases carried by dog waste.
5. You help ensure dogs will always be welcome visitors to the parks, along trails, and in the open space areas in our community.
6. You avoid costly fines.
7. You help provide a sanitary work environment for the parks and open space maintenance staff.
8. You help ensure that no one has the unpleasant or unsafe experience of stepping in dog waste.
9. You ensure the safety of your dog and others.
10. *You help make Highlands Ranch a better place!*

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