



There are close to 4,000 dogs living in Bedford, and each dog “goes” once or twice a day. That’s a lot of poop!

Not only is it gross when it’s left around, it can also be dangerous. Harmful bacteria and parasites – such as Giardia or Salmonella – that live in pet waste can come into contact with people or other pets, or wash into waterways and storm drains.

This message helps Bedford meet educational and outreach requirements of the USEPA NPDES stormwater permit for some NH municipalities.

Stormwater is a pollution problem that affects everyone in New Hampshire, but if we all do our part to help, we can reach our goal of clean and healthy waterways.



Picking up our dog’s waste and throwing it out properly is a small effort that can make a big difference in keeping our waters clean.



We love our dogs! But dog waste carries harmful microorganisms that can make our waters unsafe for swimming and drinking. Picking it up can be a major benefit, particularly in paved areas, and near streams, ponds and lakes.

# Hela

2019 Bedford Top Dog



Take the pledge to **Scoop the Poop!**  
Please go to:

[stateofourestuaries.org/  
everydrop/petpledge](https://stateofourestuaries.org/everydrop/petpledge)

Or scan the QR code to go straight to the page, or fill out the pledge below and let the Town know that you are doing your part!



## Five Small Changes that Make a Big Difference:

1. Always carry a plastic bag when you walk your dog.
2. Always pick up that poop.
3. Always dispose of it in a trashcan.
4. Never put bagged or unbagged waste in a stormdrain.
5. Take the pledge to tell the Town that you are making a difference!

Dog Licenses are available from the Town Clerk's office. Please visit our website for further information.

[https://bedfordnh.org/245/  
Dog-Licenses](https://bedfordnh.org/245/Dog-Licenses)

Please return this pledge to:

Bedford DPW  
55 Constitution Drive  
Bedford, NH 03101

YES! I pledge to scoop the poop every time to protect our outdoor areas for ourselves, our pooches, and our community.

Name:

Email:

Information collected will not be sold.

Bedford Residents:

Sign up by December 31, 2019 and be entered into a drawing for a free standard dog license for 2020. Five winners will be chosen at random.