

# Dog Fouling

## Take the lead...

## Take the bag!



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## Clean up after your dog



- The majority of dog owners act responsibly and pick up after their dogs, however, there are still some irresponsible owners who give the rest a bad name.
- If your dog does foul when you are out - clean it up!



## What can we do about a dog fouling offence?

**The Offence:** *Any person in charge of a dog failing to clear up immediately on any land which the Council has designated under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1966.*

- We can fine you £50 by issue of a Fixed Penalty Notice. Failure to pay or repeat offenders can be prosecuted and could face a penalty of up to £1,000
- Fines can be issued by:
  - Local authority officers
  - Dog Wardens
  - Persons with designated powers
- Penalty notices can be issued, where appropriate, to children aged 16 and over, as well as adults who are responsible for failing to clear up.



## Where does the Law apply?

The Council has designated all land in the open air to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access with or without payment. This includes carriageways, footpaths and verges within the 40mph speed restriction area or use of most towns and villages, play areas, sports fields, public parks, picnic areas, graveyards, grounds of places of public worship and village greens.

## Bag It, Tie It, Bin It



### Bag It...

- Keep a supply of poop scoop bags handy
- No poop scoop bags?
  - Supermarket carrier bags make a good alternative
  - Simply insert your hand into the plastic bag and pick up your dog's waste. It's easy and not as bad as you think.

### Tie It...

- Tie a knot to seal the bag.

### Bin It...

- Dispose of your bag in a 'Poop' bin. If there are no such bins in the immediate vicinity, bag it again and dispose of it in a public litter bin or in your bin at home.

*Failure to clear up dog dirt produces an unpleasant environment and can pose a health risk.*

# Reporting dog fouling



Please report dog fouling offences to:  
Ryedale District Council on 01653 600666 ext 208,  
email [dogwarden@ryedale.gov.uk](mailto:dogwarden@ryedale.gov.uk)  
or visit [www.ryedale.gov.uk](http://www.ryedale.gov.uk)

Officers will advise you how an offence can be dealt with and will give you the option to be a witness to the event.



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