

THE 10 STEPS OF

Cleaning Up After Your Dog



- 1.** Pull plastic bag from pocket and wave it like a flag or diploma.

2. Make sure many people congratulate your care for the community.

- 3.** Check bag for holes. Double check.

4.  Inspect stool for odd hues. Greens, blues, blood. Evaluate consistency.

- 5.** You don't want to leave smears on the sidewalk or grass - no prints. Getaway must be clean.

6. Prepare to go in for all of it. Hold breath.

- 7.** Grab, clamp, reverse bag, twist, knot, cinch. Smell hands.

8. Hold loaded bag high in the air, assure onlookers that Everything is Okay.

- 9.** If a cop should cruise by, his crew cut bristling in the sun, hold that bag higher, so he, too, can salute your contribution.

10. The bomb diffused, the world a little safer, a little cleaner, will not offend the deep treads of someone's shoes.

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