

# Eco-friendly Pet Care Checklist- Green Pet PDF

- ☐ **Spay or neuter your pet.** Did you know that one un-spayed female cat and her offspring can lead to 370,000 kittens a year?
- ☐ **Adopt a fur-baby from a rescue shelter.** Virtually any breed of dog can be found in a shelter or in a breed-specific rescue group.
- ☐ **Buy eco-friendly pet food and care products.** Look out for are locally made products that use natural ingredients with recyclable and / or recycled packaging.
- ☐ **Bulk Buy.** To keep your pet's environmental "pawprint" small, buy pet food in bulk quantities whenever possible.
- ☐ **Recycle** your pet food containers or buy food in biodegradable packaging. Not all pet food packaging is recyclable, so be sure to check before you buy
- ☐ **Donate** gently used collars, leashes, beds, clothing, bowls or toys to a local animal shelter or rescue organisation.
- ☐ Make your own pet treats to save time, packaging and show how much you care! Shop natural and organic Pet Foods online at Faithful to Nature for toxin-free treats made from the finest ingredients.
- ☐ **Use biodegradable poo bags.** Plastic poo bags take anywhere from 10 to 100 years to degrade.
- ☐ **Try natural cat litter to avoid the silica clay commonly used in supermarket brands.** Try wood shavings or recycled newspaper.
- ☐ Consider **eco-friendly pet toys** or DIY your own pet toys! Look for balls, bones, and other chewy toys that are made from non-toxic rubber and recycled materials. (Check the labels for the materials) You can play for hours without an impact on the environment.
- ☐ **Put some thought into your pets beds.** Pet beds are often made with really shocking materials. Read the labels carefully and look for pet beds stuffed with post-consumer recycled materials and covers fashioned out of organic cotton, hemp, or recycled fabrics.
- ☐ **Take the lead.** Most dog leashes are made of nylon. Nitrous oxide, a greenhouse gas associated with global warming, is emitted during the production of nylon. Rather choose leashes and collars made with canvas, hemp, or other recycled materials for your pets.
- ☐ Shop natural and organic Grooming products for pets online at Faithful to Nature to keep their fur shiny, and their skin healthy.