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Making Your Sand Pits Safe for our



Playing in Sandpits encourages the imagination and creativity from simply digging holes and burying objects. In other words, the sandpit provides a medium in which children can pretend to explore, construct and destroy the world in three dimension.

To be sure that children gain the best experience, it's our responsibility to ensure our sand pits are safe from bacteria and any unwanted nasty surprises that find their way into the sandpit such as cat faeces, accidental human urine or excretion, bird dropping etc. **Hygienic Sandpits Spray** has been formulated specifically for children and sandpits and is made from all natural bio degradable ingredients, rest assured the product is 100% safe for our children. A Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) is available online to view and download. Hygienic Sandpits spray is 100% Made in Australia.

Hygienic Sandpits spray has been designed and formulated to -

- Protect our children from bacteria.
- Preventing MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aurous) infection from sandpits.
- Sanitize and Disinfectant sandpit.
- Repel unwanted cats from using the sandpit as their kitty litter.
- Keeping Sandpits safe and clean



How Do I Know If I have cat feaces in my sandpit?

Usually its difficult to know unless you have your sandpit covered but just because you can't see any signs of animal tracks or stool in the sand, it does not mean that your sandbox has not become a giant litter box for the local wildlife and neighbourhood cats. These animals often pay their visits at night, and cats in particular tend to bury their stool, so you may never know they were there, even if you look.

Is Cat Feaces a potential risk in sandpits to children?

Absolutely !!! (Just to name a few)

Cutaneous larval migrans—a species of hook work, eggs of the parasite are passed through animal faeces and release larvae that can penetrate a person skin.

Visceral and ocular larval migrans:- a species of round worm, egg of the parasite are passed through animal faeces, if the egg are accidentally ingested (flicking sand at one another) the egg hatch inside the body and migrate through internal organs causing very serious illness.

Toxoplasmosis: Cats also shed parasite through their stool called oocysts, the affect can cause mild flu like symptoms but can serious cause harm to children with weak immune systems and pregnant women (Toxoplasmosis can seriously affect unborn baby).



What are the symptoms?

Cutaneous larval migrans can cause a red, intensely pruritic (itchy) eruption. The itching can become very painful and if scratched may allow a secondary bacterial infection to develop.

Visceral and ocular larval migrans can cause abdominal pain, cough, fever, itchy skin or hives and wheezing

Toxoplasmosis can cause swollen lymph glands, muscle aches, headache, fever, feeling unwell and inflammation of the eye.

These symptoms can be caused from unmaintained sandpits, most people overlook maintenance of sandpits causing illness to children or adult and overlook areas such as sandpits that have been the cause of the illness. People assume sandpits are clean and not susceptible or vulnerable to bacteria.

What should I do?

Prevention is the best source of medicine

- <u>Hygienic Sandpit spray</u> is an easy application spray that has been formulated to kill bacteria and repel unwanted neighbouring cats using the sandpit has their own litter box.
- If possible, a cover for the sand pit that can't be blown away or dislodge from animals is another good prevention.

How often do I apply this product?

- If you do have a cat problem using the sandpit as your litter box use the <u>Hygienic Sandpit spray</u> daily for 1-2 weeks to build a pungent odour of the sand pit (cat sense of smell is 14 times stronger than humans). The smell will slowly deter the cat from coming into the sandpit. Once you have eradicated your cat problem usually a weekly spray that will have a faint pungent smell to keep cats away and also kill bacteria in the sandpit.
- Spray bottles can be purchase at any local Bunning stores
- Hygienic Sandpit spray is ready to use, dissolving in water is not required
- Recommendation—Depending on the size of your sand pits but usually the 15 or 25 litre should last you 1 year's supply (viable cost of \$2.60 for a weekly spray).
- Initially a heavier spray outside the border of the sandpit to create an environment to repel cats.



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