

Tips and Resources for Workers

Prevent Contact with Dogs...

- ❖ Alert dog to your presence (whistle; honk horn; slam car door)
- ❖ Back car in
- ❖ Leave car door open
- ❖ Get back in car if there's time
- ❖ Stay in car if dog is loose or tied or behind a screen door in insecure pen
- ❖ Do not enter yard of loose or tied dog or dog in insecure pen

If Contact is Unavoidable...

Calm the Dog...

- ❖ Stand sideways to the dog
- ❖ Stand still
- ❖ Stand quietly
- ❖ Head down
- ❖ No eye contact

Meeting a Dog...

- ❖ Stand sideways
- ❖ Let him sniff
- ❖ Drop treats
- ❖ Scratch dog on side of neck

Defensive Action...

- ❖ Be a Tree and wait for help
- ❖ Retreat slowly if dog backs off
- ❖ Never turn your back
- ❖ Don't let fearful dog get behind you
- ❖ Drop treats on the ground

If a Dog Attacks...

- ❖ Shout "NO" before he gets to you
- ❖ Feed him something - jacket; clipboard; dog bumper
- ❖ Protect face and neck
- ❖ Try to be still and quiet

Never Run Away or Try to Fight Off an Attacking Dog

Resources...

Dog bite prevention information and photos...

www.doggonesafe.com

Local Animal Control

Local Public Health Department

Mental Health Resources...

www.mentalhealthresources.ca

Dog Bite Victim Support Group...

www.doggonesafe.com

Doggone Smart At Work Yahoo group...

http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/Doggone_Smart_At_Work