City of Winnipeg – Animal Services Agency

Tips to prevent dog bites:

- Only approach a dog if you have permission from the owner
  If there is no owner there – stay away from the dog!

- When you have permission to pet a dog, let the dog sniff the back of your fist and move slowly and quietly.

- Always move slowly and quietly around dogs – DON’T run or make loud noises around strange dogs.

- DON’T disturb a dog that is sleeping, eating or looking after puppies.

- DON’T try to take any toys, food or any other object from a dog’s mouth.

- IF A STRANGE DOG IS APPROACHING YOU:
  Stand still and be quiet
  Don’t try to run away because this will make the dog chase you
  Don’t stare into the dog’s eyes

  If the dog tries to grab you, try to let him have your jacket or backpack, etc. put something between you and the dog.

- IF YOU FALL OR ARE KNOCKED DOWN:
  Curl up into a ball with your hands over your ears and stay still
  Try not to scream or roll around
  Wait for help to arrive before getting up

- NEVER cut through someone’s yard even if you know the people. You could run into a dog that might bite you.

If you require further information please contact the Animal Services Agency
animalservicesagency@winnipeg.ca

DID YOU KNOW?
The Animal Services Agency provides an Education Program customized for your group or organization?

- Delivered at 1057 Logan Avenue or at your facility
- Available for all ages and any group
- About 1.5 hours long and includes topics such as:
  - Responsible Pet Ownership,
  - how to prevent dog bites
  - Animal Services in the community.
  - facts and responsibilities in being a pet owner
  - what to do if approached by a stray dog and how to prevent dog bites
  - pet overpopulation and the reasons why you should sterilize your pet

To book your education program email us at: animalservicesagency@winnipeg.ca

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