

Be Sensitive and Kind to Dogs... and Protect Yourself!



Do not get close to a dog that is tied or behind a fence.

Never disturb a dog that is eating, sleeping or caring for puppies. Dogs may bite if startled or frightened. Do not throw sticks or stones at dogs.



Do not look a dog straight in the eyes.



Do not run or move quickly near dogs!



Do not get close to small puppies - the mother may bite to protect her puppies.



If a growling dog gets close to you, pretend to be a tree: stand still with your hands at your side. Allow the dog to sniff you and it will usually go away.

IF A NERVOUS DOG GETS TOO CLOSE TO YOU:



Freeze... look only at the ground... walk backwards very slowly...



Do not turn and run!



If a dog attacks, assume a position of a rock. Curl into a ball and protect your face and body.



IF BITTEN: - Immediately wash thoroughly with soap and running water for 10 minutes

- Go to a hospital
- Isolate the dog (or remember what the dog looks like)



Keep Your Dog Healthy & Happy...



Vaccinate Against Rabies
When you get a dog or cat, immediately consult a veterinarian or public health official for the recommended schedule of anti-rabies vaccination.

Consult the veterinarian about animal birth control methods to prevent unwanted puppies and kittens. Animal birth control will also keep your dogs and cats healthier and better behaved.

