

Preventing Dog Bites



Warning signs:

- * Growling, snarling or aggressive barking
- * Shyness or fear, crouching, low head, tail between legs
 - * Fur raised up, ears erect, body stiff
 - * A dog in pain

Dangerous situations:

- * Dogs in cars, chained or cornered
- * Running past a dog, this can trigger their instinct to chase
 - * Dog fights

Things to Remember:

- * Ask permission from a dog's owner before petting the dog
 - * NEVER approach an unfamiliar dog
 - * If a dog approaches to sniff you - STAY STILL.
 - * Don't tease a dog or play rough with a dog
- * Never disturb a dog that is eating, sleeping or caring for puppies

If Attacked:

- * Remain Calm, avoid eye contact
- * Stand motionless, become a tree
- * If you are knocked down, don't move or scream. Become a turtle, curl up in a ball, cover your head
 - * If you are holding something, put it into the dog's mouth

For more helpful tips check out
www.LondonDogOwnersAssociation.ca