Never touch a dog without asking the owner first.

Always keep away from busy dogs, bored dogs, dogs that are ill, or dogs that are tied up.

Never touch a loose dog.

Never make sudden movements when close to a dog. Keep quiet and calm around dogs.

Never tease a dog. Never pull its ears, tail or fur. Dogs may not find it funny.

Only play with a dog when an adult is nearby.

Do not kiss or put your face near a dog - even your own dog. Never let a dog lick your face.

Never touch a dog that is sleeping.

Don’t cuddle your dog too much - remember that dogs can feel smothered too.

Never eat when close to a dog.

Never go near a dog when it is on its own territory. If your ball accidentally goes over someone’s fence, always ask an adult for help. Do not attempt to get the ball back yourself. Remember that dogs defend their own territory.

Never stare at a dog.

Never leave a young child alone with a dog.

Never touch a dog that is with its puppies.

Never run from a dog, screaming and waving your arms around.

Never ignore a dog’s warning growl.

Always wash your hands after touching a dog.

If a dog jumps up at you or you are frightened by a dog then be a Tree. Read the Safe and Sound guide to find out how.

If you are knocked over by a dog then be a Stone. Read the Safe and Sound guide to find out how.

Always remember the Safe And Sound Hello when saying hi to dogs.