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Dog Attack and Bite Response Guide

What to do after an incident at a Regina off-leash dog park

If a dog attacks a person or another animal, immediately prioritize safety and medical or veterinary care. Once the immediate danger has passed, gather available information and report the incident to the appropriate authorities.

This guide provides general information only and does not replace advice from emergency responders, medical professionals, veterinarians, or enforcement authorities.

1. Get to Safety and Obtain Care

- Move away from the dog and help others leave the immediate area, where it is safe to do so.
- If the attack is still in progress, someone is in immediate danger, or emergency assistance is required, call 911.
- Do not place yourself at further risk to restrain the dog, confront the owner, take photographs, or collect information.
- For serious injuries, uncontrolled bleeding, deep wounds, injuries to the face, head, neck or hands, or any other urgent concern, call 911 or seek emergency medical attention.
- Wash any bite, scratch, or wound immediately with soap and running water. Flush the wound thoroughly for at least 15 minutes.
- Seek medical attention as soon as possible. A healthcare professional can assess the risk of infection and determine whether treatment relating to tetanus, rabies exposure, or other complications may be required.
- For non-emergency health advice, call Saskatchewan HealthLine 811.
- If another dog or animal has been injured, seek veterinary care as soon as possible.

2. Exchange Information

If it is safe to approach the other owner, request:

- The owner's full name
- Telephone number
- Address and email address
- The dog's name and description
- Dog licence or tag information
- Rabies vaccination and veterinary information, if available

Do not argue with or physically confront an uncooperative owner. If the owner refuses to provide information or leaves the area, note any identifying details that can be observed safely, including the person's description, the dog's description, vehicle information, and direction of travel.



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3. Gather Evidence

Where it can be done safely:

- Ask witnesses for their names and contact information.
- Take photographs of the injuries, the location, torn or damaged clothing, and the dog involved.
- Record the date, time, park location, and a clear description of what occurred.
- Write down the sequence of events while the details are still fresh.
- Preserve damaged clothing, veterinary records, medical records, receipts, photographs, and related correspondence.

Do not delay urgent medical or veterinary treatment to gather evidence.

4. Report the Incident

Report dangerous dogs, dog attacks, bites, or dogs at large within Regina to:

Regina Humane Society – Animal Protection Services
306-777-7700

For an animal-related emergency after hours or on a statutory holiday, call:

Regina Police Service – 306-777-6500
Ask for assistance regarding an animal protection or dangerous-dog incident.

Call 911 when an attack is in progress or there is an immediate threat to public safety.

When making a report:

- Provide the location, date, and time of the incident.
- Describe the dog, owner, injuries, witnesses, and circumstances.
- Explain whether the dog or owner remains at the location.
- Ask for a report, occurrence, or file number.
- Record the date and time of the report and the name of the person who received it.

5. Keep Records and Follow Up

Keep copies of:

- Medical or veterinary reports
- Photographs
- Witness information
- Report or occurrence numbers
- Receipts and expense records
- Emails, messages, and other correspondence

Provide any additional evidence or information directly to the investigating authority.

OLDPUG can help share public information, identify appropriate reporting contacts, and raise broader park-safety concerns. OLDPUG does not investigate individual incidents, determine fault, or enforce legislation.