



## **Rumble the Safety Dog Tips**

Try to keep your child from getting lost. We know this is easier said than done! But, it is important to be vigilant when in the outdoors. Teach your child to walk beside you or to hold your hand. When indoors and appropriate, keep doors locked and consider installing door chimes so that you can hear when exterior doors are opened.

Take footprints of your child. Place a piece of aluminum foil on a soft towel and have your child step on it to take their footprint. This will show the size of the foot. But also, take photos of the bottoms of your child's shoes. This will allow a tracker to know what type and size of footprints to look for.

Use a separate laundry basket for each child. This will allow a search dog to quickly know your child's scent (and it will not be mixed up with other persons in the household).

Call for help EARLY and right away. If your child is lost, it is important to act quickly. Don't worry about calling too early, searchers won't mind. They would rather turn and go home than have you wait to call for help. As time goes by the search area will become larger, so do not wait!

Call 911 and tell them what happened. Ask them to call a local volunteer search team for help. Search teams only respond to calls from law enforcement.

Please feel free to provide Red Dirt/OSAR's callout number.  
Red Dirt/OSAR's callout #: 405-456-9781