

# Activities Tool Kit: Dog Bone Give-Aways

## How-to Guidance

### Overview

This tool is a dog biscuit with an attached tag that explains the connection between pet waste and water quality. It's a great tool to start a conversation with dog owners at fairs and other public events. It's also a great give-away. Dog owners take home the message and a treat for their dog. Use the instructions below to create your own message tag or use the following pages to make generic ones.

### Materials

- Dog biscuits
- Ribbon or string
- Scissors
- Educational tags (see example below)
- Hole punch

### Method

- Purchase dog biscuits large enough to tie a ribbon on.
- Create an educational tag using your project's logo (or another pet-related graphic) and informative text. To save money, 6-8 tags can be grouped on a single page and then cut apart with scissors or paper cutter. Tags should be approximately 2.75" x 4.5".
- Punch hole through each tag.
- Cut a length of ribbon or string about 12" long, and thread through the hole in the tag. Tie the ribbon in a bow onto the dog biscuit. Repeat!

### Summary

Dog bone give-aways are a fun, effective and relatively inexpensive way to get the message out to dog owners about the importance of picking up their pets' waste.



[front of tag]



[back of tag]



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