

Halloween Safety Tips

To help make sure everyone has a safe and Happy Halloween, here are some safety tips.

Taking extra care will assure maximum fun for everyone.

- Make sure children can see clearly through facemasks or use make-up instead of a mask.
- Give and accept wrapped or packaged candy only.
- Examine treats before allowing children to eat them.
- Accompany young trick-or-treaters. Send older children in groups.
- Remind children not to talk to or accept rides from strangers.
- Choose costumes that are marked flame-retardant.
- Carry a flashlight.
- Stay within the neighborhood; only visit homes you know.
- Watch out for traffic and wear light-colored clothing at night. Add reflective tape or reflectors if necessary.
- Be sure costumes are short enough to prevent tripping.
- Dress your kids appropriately and remember they will tend to get overheated as they move from door to door. (No running, please.)
- No dodging in between parked cars.
- No jaywalking.
- Place identification around children's necks or inside costumes.
- Make sure face make-up is FDA-approved; look for guidance to be sure that it's hypoallergenic, laboratory-tested and non-toxic.
- Avoid sharp edges, points and anything that can be potentially dangerous on costumes.
- Keep pets under control, even if they are friendly. Costumes may frighten them.

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