

Halloween Safety Checklist

1. Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks. Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
2. Put electronic devices down, keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.
3. Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
4. Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible. Children should walk on direct routes with the fewest street crossings.
5. Watch for cars that are turning or backing up. Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.
6. Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
7. Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.
8. Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
9. Only go to homes that are being visited by others and have lights on.
10. Stay on streets that have other trick-or-treaters.
11. Throw away any candy that comes with an open wrapper or appears tampered with.
12. Do not approach dogs you do not know. Always ask the owner for permission before approaching dogs.
13. Do not talk to anyone driving by in a car. If an adult needs help they should be asking another adult – not kids. If approached by someone in a car, yell "No!" and run in the opposite direction the car is facing and contact your trusted adults immediately.