

Be Smart, Keep Kids and Poisons Apart



Halloween Safety

Helpful hints to keep your kids safe

Before you go out:

- 🍁 Feed your children to help cut the urge to snack on the route.
- 🍁 Bring your own candy, so your children won't eat unchecked treats.
- 🍁 Costumes should be flame-retardant, warm and not too long.
- 🍁 Masks should fit properly and have large eyeholes.
- 🍁 Use non-toxic face paint or makeup.

While you are out:

- 🍁 If you have small children, go out before dark.
- 🍁 Children should be accompanied by an adult, carry a flashlight and wear flame-retardant, reflective clothing.
- 🍁 Put reflective on trick-or-treat bag.
- 🍁 Trick-or-treat only in familiar, well-lit areas.
- 🍁 Only visit homes you know.
- 🍁 Look both ways carefully before crossing streets.
- 🍁 Use crosswalks when possible and don't run from between parked cars.
- 🍁 Stay away from dogs or other animals.
- 🍁 Glow sticks and necklaces can help to illuminate after dark.
- 🍁 Be careful not to break or bite glow sticks.
- 🍁 Give and accept wrapped candy only.

After you are home:

- 🍁 Carefully check all treats before allowing your children to eat them.
- 🍁 Only eat candy from original, unopened, and undamaged wrappers.
- 🍁 Throw away candy if wrappers are faded, torn, or show signs of re-wrapping.
- 🍁 **When in doubt, throw it out!!!!**

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