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Be safe, be seen this Halloween!

Pedestrian injury remains the second leading cause of unintentional injury-related death among children ages 5 to 14. Children are twice as likely to be hit by a car on Halloween.





Check out these Halloween safety tips and have a fun and safe Halloween!

Streets


-  **Make sure drivers can see your costume in the dark.** Be original with a glow-in-the-dark costume or carry a reflective trick-or-treat bag. Use a flashlight or glow stick when walking at night.
-  **Trick-or-treat in a group.** Don't go trick-or-treating alone. If you're younger than 13, make sure you go with an adult. Older kids always should go with buddies and follow a preplanned route.
-  **Cross streets at crosswalks and intersections.** Stop at street corners. Look left, right and left again before crossing. Don't cross between parked cars. Remember, never step into the street without looking to see if a vehicle is coming.

Costumes



Make sure your ...

-  **Costume is short and snug.** Baggy sleeves or billowy capes and skirts can trip you up and catch fire if they brush against jack-o-lanterns or candle flames. Have your parents check to make sure your costume is flame-resistant.
-  **Shoes fit.** Big, floppy shoes (clown shoes, adult shoes) that are hard to walk in may make you fall.
-  **Costume props are flexible.** Costume props can hurt you badly if you fall. Make sure swords, knives, etc. are made of flexible plastic or rubber.
-  **Make sure you can see easily.** Paint your face instead of wearing a mask. If you are wearing a mask, make sure your mask fits properly and the eye holes allow you to see fully. Don't wear a mask that is too loose; it can slip and block your vision. Make sure hats and other head gear do not slip and block your vision.

Treats

-  **Make sure your parents check your treats before you eat them.** Pick only wrapped candy when you trick-or-treat.

Other

-  **Trick-or-treat only during your community's predetermined hours.**
-  **Only visit homes of people you know.** Only accept treats at the door.

Have a fun and safe Halloween!



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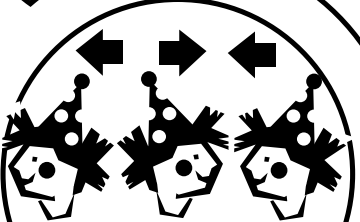
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