



Halloween is a fun and spooky time of year for you and your little ones. Make trick-or-treating safe with a few easy Halloween safety tips.

-  **Never** trick-or-treat alone. Always go with a parent or another adult.
-  If children are going to a Halloween party at other's homes, have them look for exits and plan how they would get out in an emergency.
-  Buy only costumes, wigs, and props labeled flame resistant or flame retardant. If you are making your own costume, choose material that won't easily ignite if it comes in contact with heat or flame. **Stay away** from loose or long trailing fabric. If your child is wearing a mask, make sure the eye holes are large enough so they can see out.
-  Carry a lightweight flashlight or glow stick to help you see after dark.
-  Walk on sidewalks and driveways. Make sure to cross the street at the corner or in a crosswalk.
-  **Never** go into anyone's home without the permission of your parent or the adult you are with.
-  Only visit houses with their lights on.
-  **Never** eat or even taste candy until your parent or another adult has carefully inspected it.
-  Tell children to stay away from open flames. Remember to **STOP, DROP, COVER** your face, and **ROLL** if your costume or clothing catches fire.
-  Remember to keep exits clear of decorations, so nothing blocks escape routes.
-  Dried flowers, cornstalks, and crepe paper are highly flammable. Keep these and other decorations well away from all open flames and heat sources, including light bulbs and heaters.
-  Use flashlights as alternatives to candles or torch lights when decorating walkways and yards. They are much safer for trick-or-treaters, whose costumes may brush against the lighting.

DID YOU KNOW?



Decorations are the first thing to ignite in more than 1,000 reported home fire each year, throughout the United States.

