



# Halton Regional Police Service Halloween Safety Tips



The Halton Regional Police Service Community Support Unit is pleased to offer the following tips to help ensure children have a safe and happy Halloween:

## Tips For Parents:

- Children's Halloween costumes should be bright and made of non-flammable material. Attach reflective tape or other material to costumes to make trick-or-treaters more visible.
- Costumes should be short enough in length to prevent tripping
- For added safety, have children carry flashlights
- Facial make-up is the recommended means of disguise. If masks are worn, eye holes should be large enough so as not to restrict vision
- Young children should be accompanied by adults or travel together in groups while trick-or-treating
- Ensure children trick-or-treat on one side of the street and avoid zigzagging across the road. Cross only at corners. Children should also be advised to walk on the sidewalks and stay off roads and lawns.

## Tips For Children:

- Trick-or-treating should occur in the early evening hours
- Always let your parents know where you will be going
- Never travel in areas that are dark and vacant
- Never talk to strangers
- Never go anywhere with strangers or someone you don't know very well. Always check with your parents first.
- Never enter a home of a stranger. Always stand at the door. Stay away from homes that are in total darkness.
- Take Halloween treats home for inspection by your parents before eating them

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