



# #FDNYSmart Safety Tips

Halloween is a great opportunity to have Spooky and Safe fun in New York City! But Halloween needs to be different this year, as we all work together to help stop the spread of COVID-19. We've provided some safety tips below, but for further health tips we encourage you to visit [www.nyc.gov/health/halloween](http://www.nyc.gov/health/halloween)

## Costumes

Buy or make costumes that are:

- Made of flame resistant materials
- Accompanied by accessories that are soft and bendable
- Visible to drivers; brightly colored and/or with attached reflectiv
- Halloween masks are not face coverings. Wear a face covering over every costume mask

## Trick or Treating

When you Trick-or-treat:

- Do not send children out alone.
- Remind children to never go into anyone's house without their chaperone
- Walk carefully on sidewalks, marked paths and crosswalks at corners
- Carry a flashlight
- Make sure that none of the treats are tampered with or contain choking hazards before you start eating them.
- Be prepared, bring and use hand sanitizer often
- Stay outdoors rather than trick or treating inside apartment buildings

## Decorations

As you set-up Halloween decorations:

- Keep children away from sources of fire
- Always supervise preparations
- Never let children carve pumpkins alone
- Illuminate carved pumpkins with glow sticks or tea candles only
- Place candles at least 4 feet from other decorations and curtains
- Plug decorations, appliances and extension cords directly into wall outlets
- Don't use electrical devices with cords that are discolored or cracked even if they seem to be working
- Treat burns immediately under running water and seek medical attention



## Don't Forget!

Keep you, your friends and your family safe this Halloween by preparing in advance



Tea lights or glow sticks make for safer jack-o-lanterns.



## And Always Remember!

Test your home's smoke and carbon-monoxide alarms to ensure they are working, and review the household fire safety plan with everyone.

Only call 911 in case of a real emergency.

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