

Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween can be an exciting night for everyone but we want you to be safe while you are having fun. The Union County Sheriff's Office has some Halloween safety tips for you.

Parents:

- * Choose fireproof costumes made of light colored material that can be seen in the dark.
- * Children should avoid wearing eye makeup or masks, which can restrict their vision.
- * Be familiar with the neighborhood where your children will be trick-or-treating.
- * Check the sex offender registry on our website at www.co.union.nc.us/.
- * Teach children their home phone number in case they get lost.
- * Inspect all treats before allowing children to eat them.
- * Always escort your children and carry a flashlight.
- * Instruct your children NEVER to enter any homes.



Trick-or-Treaters:

- * Obey all traffic signals and look in all directions when crossing the street.
- * Only trick-or-treat at homes with their porch light on.
- * Wait until you get home before eating any treats.
- * Use sidewalks and avoid cutting through yards.
- * Don't trick-or-treat by yourself.

Homeowners:

- * Turn on your porch light so children know it is OK to visit your home.
- * Hand out only commercially wrapped candy.
- * Never invite children into your home.
- * Keep pets away from children.
- * Maintain clear walkways.



Motorists:

- * Drive slowly and cautiously.
- * Look for children walking on the street, running and darting in between parked vehicles.
- * Be extra careful when entering and exiting driveways.
- * Never drink and drive.

