



Halloween Safety Fact Sheet

Advice to Parents/Children on Halloween night:

- Consider adding reflective tape to costumes or wearing bright colors to be easily seen by motorists in low-light conditions.
- A void wearing masks that obstruct peripheral vision, or remove the mask when attempting to cross at a designated crossing area.
- Be sure to cross the road only at designated crossing areas and remember to look left-right-left before proceeding.
- Pay attention when walking! Never look at cell phones, do not walk with earbuds or headphones on, and always be aware of your surroundings.
- Parents should always accompany young children and make sure to hold hands when crossing the street.
- Parents should also impress upon their children not to be out too late after dark and to never talk to strangers or approach someone they do not know.
- Parents and/or children are encouraged to carry a flashlight to light their way and to be easier seen by motorists.

Advice to Motorists on Halloween night:

- Be aware of the dates and times that trick-or-treat events take place in your neighborhoods and plan for increased pedestrian traffic.
- Drive at safe and slower speeds and be sure to scan the roadway in front of you for children and parents attempting to cross.
- Avoid distractions such as cell phones and other devices and be sure to give your full attention to the road in front of you.
- Pay extra attention at designated crossing areas and make sure that all pedestrians have finished crossing before proceeding forward.
- Make sure to give yourself plenty of time to get to your destination so as not to feel rushed or in a hurry.
- Be aware that some costumes may be darker and harder to see so be sure to pay extra attention and adjust your speed accordingly in case you need to make a sudden stop.