



Halloween

Halloween Safety Tips

Tips for choosing the right costumes:

- Purchase costumes made of **flame retardant material** (Check the label).
- Keep hemlines short enough to prevent tripping and avoid loose, baggy sleeves, or billowing skirts.
- To be seen easily, costumes should be made of a light color material.
- **Use glow in the dark reflective tape on your costume.**
- Use make-up rather than masks which could obstruct vision.



Tips for Halloween night:

- Use battery powered lights - **never use candles** to light jack-o'-lanterns.
- Instruct children to stay away from open flames.
- Remove objects from the yard that present a hazard to children (garden tools, hoses, etc.).
- Be extremely careful with cornstalks and other harvest season items. Keep them away from sources of heat. Don't let them block doorways or stairs.
- Do not allow children to carry sharp sticks or other objects that could cause injury to others.
- If you are driving on Halloween, take care...watch out for trick-or-treaters who will be too busy to watch out for you.
- Closely inspect all candy before allowing children to eat it. Discard any unwrapped treats from a stranger.



If in doubt, throw it out.

The Virginia Department of Forestry reminds you that the biggest Halloween dangers aren't from ghosts and goblins -- but from intentionally set wildfires. Some folks think it is a harmless prank to set the woods on fire, IT'S NOT !! In fact it is very dangerous and possibly deadly. Firefighters who are trying to put out the fire, trying to protect someone's home put their lives in danger each and every time they respond to one of these "pranks". PLEASE do not play with fire and if you see a fire call 911 immediately.

Lets all have a SAFE and HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

