



Be Smart About Halloween Safety

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Smart911 is a free 9-1-1 service available in your community.

- ▶ **Take a digital photo of your kids.** While it's great for the scrapbook, it's important to have a recent and detailed description in the event of an emergency.
- ▶ **Make sure your child's costume is safe.** Is the fabric fire retardant? Does their mask have proper eye, nose and mouth openings? Can they walk easily in it?
- ▶ **Use a buddy system.** If you are headed out with a group, make sure there is a buddy system in place. It's easy for a child to get left behind or mixed in with other groups.
- ▶ **Know who your kids are trick or treating with.** Exchange phone numbers with your child's friends and their parents. In the event of an emergency, you can notify them.
- ▶ **Check the candy bag before letting your child dig in.** Look for any opened or unsealed candy or treats and dispose of them. Stay away from homemade treats.
- ▶ **Sign up for Smart911 at www.smart911.com** to give valuable information about yourself, family members, bedroom locations, utility shut off information, and pet information that will automatically display on the 9-1-1 call taker's screen when you dial 9-1-1.

No one plans to call 9-1-1, but now you can plan ahead.

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