Halloween Health and Safety Tips

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S	Swords, knives, and similar costume accessories should be short, soft, and flexible.
A	Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.
F	Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see you.
E	Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating them. Limit the amount of treats you eat.
H	Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. Always WALK and don't run from house to house.
A	Always test make-up in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent possible skin and eye irritation.
L	Look both ways before crossing the street. Use established crosswalks wherever possible.
L	Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing decorative contact lenses.
0	Only walk on sidewalks whenever possible or on the far edge of the road facing traffic to stay safe.
W	Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.
E	Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.
E	Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Don't stop at dark houses. Never accept rides from strangers.

Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame-resistant costumes.

For more information about these tips, visit: www.cdc.gov/family/halloween
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