

American Red Cross Halloween Safety Tips:

These "lucky 13" safety tips are for parents to share with their trick-or-treaters to prevent injuries at Halloween.

- Plan your route and share it with your family. If possible, have an adult go with you.
- Wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so you are more visible. (And remember to put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards and brooms, too!)
- Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover your eyes.
- Cross the street only at corners.
- Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks and low-flying brooms.
- Don't hide or cross the street between parked cars.
- Walk, slither and sneak on sidewalks; not in the street.
- Carry a flashlight to light your way.
- Only visit homes that have the porch light on.
- Use a light stick instead of a wick! Candles used in pumpkins are a fire hazard. (Also, keep in mind that costumes can be extremely flammable.)
- Accept your treats at the door and never go into a stranger's house.



- Be cautious of strangers and animals.
- Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating. And don't eat candy if the package is already opened. Small, hard pieces of candy are a choking hazard for young children.



Contact 216.431.3046 for other American Red Cross safety tips.