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Safety tips to keep your pet healthy and happy this Halloween.

Despite the pandemic, you may still be expecting (masked) trick-or-treaters this Halloween. Prevent stress from overwhelming your furry friend—sit outside your door to distribute candy, or leave a sign on the door asking trick-or-treaters to knock instead.



There's nothing like a jack-o'-lantern glowing in the night on Halloween, but that burning candle could be knocked over by your pet, causing a fire.



Never choose a costume that restricts your pet's breathing or movement. Your pet should be able to eat and drink, as well as bark or meow, like normal, even while dressed up.

IF THE STRESS OF HALLOWEEN CAUSES YOUR PET TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT AND BECOME LOST, IDENTIFICATION CAN BE A LIFESAVER.



Ensure your pet is microchipped and wearing a properly fitting collar with ID tags.

ELECTRICAL WIRES AND PETS DO NOT MIX. IF YOUR HALLOWEEN DECORATIONS ARE PLUGGED INTO AN OUTLET, ENSURE YOUR PET HAS NO ACCESS.

Many human foods, even those that aren't considered toxic to pets, can cause gastrointestinal upset for our furry friends. Stick with your pet's regular diet this Halloween to avoid a frightening night full of emergency trips to the backyard.

Keep your pet safe and secure in a separate room away from the front door. Fear and stress can cause many pets to slip through open doors or gates.



PREVENT HALLOWEEN COSTUME MISHAPS IN PETS

There's nothing quite like a dachshund dressed as a hot dog or a cat dressed as a lion on Halloween. But, costumes and pets don't always mix. Keep these safety tips in mind when choosing a costume for your furry pal.

- Avoid pet costumes that are too tight, especially around the neck, because that can lead to overheating or respiratory distress.
- Ensure your pet's costume doesn't include buttons, beads, or tassels that your pet might be tempted to eat, which could be a choking hazard or cause a dangerous gastrointestinal obstruction.
- Your pet's costume should never cover their face or obstruct their hearing, vision, or breathing.
- If dressing up causes your pet stress or anxiety, they'll let you know. Sometimes no costume, or a festive bandanna, is the best choice.

PROTECT PETS FROM DANGEROUS HALLOWEEN TREATS

Many treats enjoyed by humans can be downright dangerous for dogs and cats. These tips will help you avoid a trip to the emergency veterinary hospital this Halloween.

- Keep chocolate away from pets, especially dark chocolate, which contains higher levels of theobromine and caffeine, ingredients that are toxic to dogs.
- Even seemingly healthy treats, like raisins, can be deadly for our pets.
- It's not only the treat that can be dangerous to pets. Candy wrappers left unattended still smell delicious, and can entice an unknowing furry family member to eat them, potentially causing a dangerous obstruction.
- Read labels, and ensure anything containing the sugar substitute xylitol is left far out of paws' reach. Even certain peanut butters include this ingredient, which is toxic to pets.

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