



SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES

BEST PRACTICES



TRICK OR TREATERS

- Stay home if sick
- Trick or treat with people you live with
- Remain 6 feet apart from people not in your household
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose
- Hand sanitize (with sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol) frequently while out, especially during key times like before eating or after coughing/sneezing
- Wash your hands as soon as you return home



HOMEOWNERS

- Do not hand out candy if you are sick
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose
- Take the Safe House pledge and register as an official Halloween Safe House
- Use duct tape to mark 6-foot lines in front of home and leading to driveway/front door-step
- Participate in one-way trick or treating
 - Position a distribution table between yourself and trick or treaters
 - Distribute candy on disinfected surface to eliminate direct contact
 - If you are preparing goodie bags, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before and after preparing bags
 - Individually wrapped candy or goodie bags should be lined up for families to grab and go while continuing to social distance
- Wash hands often



PARENTS

- Stay home if sick
- Talk with your children about safety and social distancing guidelines and expectations
- Guide children to stay on the right side of the road always to ensure distance
- Carry a flashlight at night and ensure your children have reflective clothing
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose
- Wash your hands as soon as you return home
- Inspect candy



HALLOWEEN 2020

MAKE IT SAFE, KEEP IT FUN!

BEST PRACTICES FOR A SAFE HALLOWEEN

TRICK OR TREATERS

- Stay home if sick
- Trick or treat with household members
- Remain 6 feet apart from people not in your household
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose. Costume masks are not a substitute for cloth masks
- Sanitize hands frequently while out, especially during key times like before eating or after coughing/sneezing



HOMEOWNERS

- Do not hand out candy if you are sick
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose
- Use duct tape to mark 6-foot lines in front of home and leading to driveway/front door
- Position a distribution table between yourself and trick or treaters
- Distribute candy on disinfected table to eliminate direct contact
- If you choose to have a gathering, only have a few people over to limit the possibility of crowding. Residential indoor gatherings over 10 people are prohibited by EO 2020-183.
- Wash hands often

PARENTS

- Stay home if sick
- Talk with your children about safety and social distancing guidelines and expectations
- Guide children to stay on the right side of the road always to ensure distance
- Carry a flashlight at night and ensure your children have reflective clothing
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose
- Wash your hands as soon as you return home
- Avoid congregating in groups around houses

Adapted from: <https://www.halloween2020.org/>

THE ONLY THING SCARY ABOUT HALLOWEEN SHOULD BE THE COSTUMES

STAY SAFE!

The way we celebrate Halloween in Michigan will be different this year due to COVID 19. There are still many ways to celebrate safely. Here are some tips to help Michiganders stay safe this year.

Make sure to also check on and follow guidance or regulations released by the local health department.

HOMEOWNERS

- Do not hand out candy if you are sick.
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose.
- Use duct tape to mark 6 foot lines in front of your home and leading to driveway/front door.
- Position a distribution table between yourself and trick or treaters.
- Distribute candy on disinfected table to eliminate direct contact.
- Wash hands often.
- Consider handing out candy in an open space where distancing is possible, rather than from the front door.
- Consider a neighborhood costume parade, it is an easy way to keep safe space between children.

PARENTS AND TRICK-OR-TREATERS

- Share with your children that this year may be different than last, but let them know some of the new ways you plan to celebrate and still have lots of fun.
- Stay home if sick.
- Talk with your children about safety and social distancing guidelines and expectations. Keep a 6 foot distance from others not in your family group.
- Trick or treat with the people you live with.
- Participate in one way trick or treating and guide children to stay to the right to ensure social distancing.
- Avoid congregating in groups around houses.
- Carry a flashlight at night and ensure your children have reflective clothing.
- Wear a face mask covering BOTH your mouth and nose
 - A costume mask (such as for Halloween) is not a substitute for a cloth mask.
 - Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask if wearing both causes difficulty breathing. Instead, consider using a Halloween themed cloth mask.
- Only go to houses with safety measures in place.
- Inspect candy.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water or use sanitizer containing at least 60 percent alcohol, especially before eating or after coughing/sneezing, and as soon as you return home.
- Check out halloween2020.org to find exciting activities and ways to celebrate Halloween this year based on levels of COVID risks in your area.

HERE ARE SOME IDEAS FOR SAFE HALLOWEEN GATHERINGS:

- Consider refraining from Halloween gatherings this year or use an online meeting platform to have a virtual party instead.
- If you choose to have a gathering:
 - Only have a few people over to limit the possibility of crowding. Indoor gatherings over 10 people are prohibited by EO 2020-183.
 - Have all food and party favors set out individually to prevent cross contamination. (Avoid buffet style or shared food and drinks.)
 - Make sure there are plenty of areas with hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol.
 - Stay 6 feet away from others.
 - Wear a fun face mask, instead of a costume mask.

State of Michigan COVID 19 Website

Michigan.gov/Coronavirus

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Halloween Guidance:

CDC.gov/coronavirus/2019_ncov/daily_life_coping/holidays

Partnership for a Safe Halloween: Halloween2020.org

