

HALLOWEEN



While Halloween is full of frights, nobody should have to fear becoming the victim of impaired driving. Unfortunately, Halloween puts us all at greater risk of encountering an impaired driver. Whether you're taking kids trick-or-treating, hosting a Halloween party, or going out on the town dressed as your favorite witch or wizard, MADD is here to help you plan ahead to stay safe this Halloween.

Safety Tips



SAFE TRICK-OR-TREATING TIPS



DRESS FOR SUCCESS

Carry glow sticks or flashlights, use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and bags and wear light colors to help kids see and be seen by drivers. Choose face paint over masks when possible; masks can limit children's vision.

SUPERVISE

Consider chaperoning kids, even if they are old enough to walk to school on their own. Pay even more attention to your surroundings and the vehicles around you.

STAY ON THE SIDEWALK

Halloween can be exciting and kids may dart into the road. Be sure kids stay on sidewalks only cross at corners or crosswalks, ideally in a group.

NOTIFY AUTHORITIES

If you see an impaired driver on the road, contact your local law enforcement agency to report the driver.

CHOOSE TRICK-OR-TREAT ALTERNATIVES

Many towns, schools and community organizations hold events that keep kids away from Halloween traffic while still sharing holiday fun. For example, you could attend a "Trunk-or-Treat," Halloween block party or walkabout - where a block is closed to traffic and kids can get candy, play games, hold costume contests, etc. with neighbors and local businesses. Or, host a fun Halloween party for mummies/daddies and their little ghoulies.



SAFE PARTY TIPS



PLAN AHEAD

Make sure all your guests designate their sober drivers in advance.

REGULATE CONSUMPTION

Stop serving alcohol a few hours before the party ends and provide plenty of food and non-alcoholic beverages throughout.

OFFER ALTERNATIVES

Suggest alternate ways for your guests to get to their destination - a rideshare or taxi, a sober friend or a family member, or public transportation.

SERVE MOCKTAIL OPTIONS

For designated drivers and anyone else not wishing to drink alcohol, serve these non-alcoholic witch's brews.

TAKE THE KEYS

Intervene if anyone who appears impaired is thinking of driving. MADD has tips to help you handle the scary situation.



SAFETY TIPS FOR HALLOWEEN NIGHTS ON THE TOWN



PLAN AHEAD

Designate a sober driver or schedule a rideshare service to and from your destination(s).



PAY ATTENTION

Never let a friend drive impaired. Arrange a safe and sober way for them to get home and make sure you never ride in a vehicle with an impaired driver.



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