

How to Keep Your Pet Safe on Halloween

As Halloween night approaches, keep in mind that some human treats can be potentially deadly for your dog or cat. Help keep your dog and cat safe by being aware of some of the common poisons found in your child's trick-or-treat bag this year.

Halloween Treats

Several popular Halloween treats are toxic to pets.

Halloween candies containing the artificial sweetener xylitol can also be deadly to dogs.

All forms of chocolate—especially baking or dark chocolate—can be dangerous, even lethal, for dogs and cats.

Candy Wrappers

When pets eat candy, they don't bother to remove the wrappers. Ingestion of foil and cellophane wrappers can cause a life-threatening bowel obstruction.

Decoration Emergencies

Keep lit candles and jack-o-lanterns out of reach of pets. Pets can easily knock over a lit pumpkin and start a fire.

Costume Mishaps

If you plan to put a costume on your pet, make sure it fits properly and is comfortable, and doesn't have any pieces that can easily be chewed off.

Anxiety

Doorbells ringing are scary to dogs. Keep your dog confined and away from the door.

Lost Pets

Do not leave your dog outside on Halloween.

Make sure your pet is properly identified (microchip, collar and ID tag) in case he escapes through the open door while you're distracted with trick-or-treaters.

Keep your pet safe this Halloween. Rather than spend the night in the emergency room with your pet, pet-proof all these items away instead!



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