



HELPFUL HOLIDAY HINTS HALLOWEEN

OCTOBER 2022



Trick or Treat Safety:

- Carry flashlights or glow sticks to stay visible to drivers
- Add reflective tape to costume or treat bag for improved visibility at night
- Stay in groups and inform an adult of the intended trick-or-treat route.
- Candy and treats should be inspected by an adult before eating.
- Carry a cellphone or device that can reach emergency services or someone for help.
- Watch out for cars when walking, use sidewalks when possible, and cross streets at corners or using a traffic signal and crosswalk.



October is Fire Safety Month: Autumn brings the smell of pumpkin fragrance and the taste of pumpkin spice goodies. Be extra careful with your candles. Candles are some of the most frequent causes of house fires. Always set open flames on sturdy surfaces away from flammable objects. Light candles only when they will be attended and blow them out when leaving the area or house. Always have a fire extinguisher readily available and be sure to check serviceability once a year.

Stay prepared, stay alert, stay safe!



DID YOU KNOW: Halloween 2022 will occur on Monday, 31 October. The tradition originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off ghosts. In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1 as a time to honor all saints. The evening before was known as All Hallows Eve, and later Halloween. Over time, Halloween evolved into a day of activities like trick-or-treating, carving jack-o-lanterns, festive gatherings, donning costumes and eating treats.

RESOURCES:

- NHTSA Vehicle Recall: <http://www.checktoprotect.org/>
- National Safety Council: <https://injuryfacts.nsc.org/motor-vehicle/holidays/labor-day/>
- NHTSA Safe Driving Campaign: <https://www.nhtsa.gov/campaign/drive-sober-or-get-pulled-over>
- Travel Risk Planning System (TRIPS): <https://trips.safety.army.mil/marines/Home>
- MCBP Safety Center <https://www.pendleton.marines.mil/Main-Menu/Staff-Agencies/Safety/>



Manage the Risk



Protect the Force