



# WHITESTOWN METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

The Whitestown Metropolitan Police Department encourages supervision and safety during the October 2017 **TRICK-or-TREAT** season. It is important for parents to take the necessary steps to insure "**SAFETY FIRST**" by following these few simple rules during all trick-or-treat events.

### KEEPING OUR TRICKSTERS and TREATERS SAFE!

- ALWAYS wear something reflective on your costume.
- Have a flashlight or glowstick handy for areas of total darkness.
- Plan your travel route and stick to your plan.
- Be cautious of loose costume material that could trip or snag.
- Be cautious of open flames from candles, that could catch your costume on fire.
- Be cautious of fake knives, guns or swords as you or others could become injured.
- DO NOT ENTER anyone's home that your parents do not know.
- Do not sample any of the candy received until it is inspected by an adult.
- Discard all unwrapped candy! "ALWAYS"
- Only cross the street at the corner, never mid-block, and never between cars.
- Remember, drivers have a challenging time seeing you in the dark, especially when your dressed in a dark costume and moving fast.

### PREPARING YOUR HOME TO RECEIVE TREATERS

- Keep your porch light turned on!
- Keep any lit decorations away from the porch approaches.
- Never invite anyone you do not know into your home.
- Promptly call 911 to report any suspicious activities.

### Trick-or-Treating Times

- Tuesday, October 31, 2017 from 6pm – 9pm.

**"HAPPY HALLOWEEN"**

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