

HALLOWEEN DECORATING SAFETY



Jack-O-Lantern Safety

- Use battery-operated candles inside the jack-o-lantern.
- Always have adult supervision.
- Leave the carving to adults (let children draw the design on the pumpkin and clean out the insides)
- Carve in a clean, dry, and well-lit area.
- Use a pumpkin carving kit, with a serrated pumpkin saw.
- Carve away from your body, not toward it.
- Do not rush when carving.

If you do use a flame candle in the jack-o-lantern:

- Place the pumpkin on a sturdy surface.
- Keep away from flammable materials.
- Keep out of reach of children.
- Do not leave unattended.



Consider painting the pumpkin instead



Decorations

- Use battery-operated candles.
- Do not drape fabric over lightbulbs.
- Do not overload electrical outlets.
- Do not use nails or staples on electrical cords.
- If using lights or electronic decorations outside, make sure they are designated for outdoor use.
- When expecting trick or treaters, remove obstacles from lawns, steps, and porches.



Dry Ice Safety

Dry Ice is solidified carbon dioxide. Only use in well-ventilated areas.

- Only transport a small amount, and open all windows to ventilate.
- Don't let dry ice touch your skin. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (e.g. protective 'cryo' gloves and goggles).
- Use tongs to handle dry ice.
- Do not eat or swallow dry ice.
- Avoid inhaling carbon dioxide gas.
- Do not store dry ice in an air-tight container.
- Keep out of reach of children.
- Dispose of dry ice by placing it in a well-ventilated area at room temperature. The leftover dry ice will turn into gas.