## SAFETY TIPS FOR

# HALLOWEEN

### stash your candy stash

Some treats are toxic for our pets, especially chocolate and sugar-free foods that contain xylitol. If you think your pet has ingested a treat containing harmful ingredients, **call your vet** or the **ASPCA Poison Control Center at 1-888-426-4435**. And don't forget to discard your candy wrappers, too!

### watch the front door

Even the calmest of pets can get overwhelmed by the excitement of a stream of strangers stopping by, and with so many trick-or-treaters knocking at your door, your pet **could easily slip out and run off**. Put them in a separate, secure room away from the door until your finished handing out candy.

## update those id tags

If your pet does get away from you or slip out the door, proper identification can be a lifesaver. Make sure they're wearing **updated ID tags on their collar**, and, if microchipped, check that the information is current.

## avoid dangerous decorations

Some decorations could pose a risk to pets. Avoid dangling cords or small parts **that could be swallowed**, and always keep lit candles (including jack-o-lanterns!) out of paws' reach.

## keep costumes comfortable

If you decide to dress up your pet, make sure they can still move around, hear, see, breathe, bark, eat, drink, and use the bathroom comfortably in their costume. Avoid small or dangling parts that could pose a choking risk.





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