



Halloween 2021

Celebrate Halloween in a safe manner by following Public Health guidance.

- 🎃 Follow Canada's [Halloween safety guidelines](#) to ensure you and your child are safe while going door-to door. Please note that this advice warns against wearing a costume mask, however anyone participating in Halloween outside of their home is advised to wear a community face mask unless exempt.
- 🎃 Only trick-or-treating with your single household plus 20 consistent contacts is recommended.
- 🎃 Any businesses, organizations or groups that plan indoor events such as haunted houses or indoor trick-or-treating are required to ask for proof of full vaccination for those 12 and over.
- 🎃 Plan your route, try to limit trick-or-treating to one neighbourhood and keep track of where you go.
- 🎃 Anyone with a cell phone can download the [COVID Alert app](#).
- 🎃 Children should wash their hands before they leave their home and when they arrive home at the end of the night. Children should also wash their hands prior to eating any treats. Parents should ensure they have hand sanitizer with them to keep their child's hands clean.
- 🎃 If providing treats:
 - 🧼 Wash or sanitize your hands before touching treats.
 - 🧼 Do not offer home-made treats.
 - 🧼 Treats must be provided through touchless means (e.g. treats arranged so that children won't touch other treats when they grab theirs). Doing up individual treat bags is a good option.
- 🎃 Make an effort to frequently disinfect any high touch areas, such as handrails, doorbells or doorknobs.
- 🎃 If you or someone in your home is in a higher risk group or unvaccinated, you may choose to put a sign on your door such as "Have a Happy and Safe Halloween: No Visitors Please."
- 🎃 Don't include any activities that pose a high risk for transmission (e.g. bobbing for apples, decorating cookies).
- 🎃 Do not participate in any Halloween activities if you are ill and/or currently have COVID-19, have been directed to isolate, have symptoms of COVID-19 or are awaiting PCR test results.

Circuit Breaker Zones

Halloween may continue in Circuit Breaker zones with appropriate distancing, masking and existing restrictions on indoor gatherings.

- 🎃 Trick-or-treating is limited to your single household only. No groups of trick-or-treaters from more than one household.
- 🎃 Community masks must be worn by all.
- 🎃 No indoor Halloween parties.
- 🎃 Treats must be provided through touchless means (e.g. treats arranged so that children won't touch other treats when they grab theirs). Doing up individual treat bags is a good option.

