



On behalf of the Town of Newton Best Practices for a Safe and Fun 2020 Halloween

For Trick or Treaters:

- Porch/Outdoor Light On = Trick or Treat here!
- Porch/Outdoor Light Off = Maybe next year!
- Stay with your family or “pod”
- Practice social distancing (keep at least 6 feet apart from other groups)
- Stay in your immediate neighborhood
- Do not enter someone else’s home
- Use hand sanitizer
- Wear a cloth or surgical mask (costume masks do not provide protection)
- Avoid Trick or Treating if you or anyone in your household isn’t feeling well, has a fever, or is under quarantine
- Only accept candy that is in factory-sealed packaging

For Candy Givers:

- Porch Light On = Trick or Treat here!
- Porch Light Off = Maybe next year!
- Wear a cloth or surgical mask
- Wear disposable gloves when you hand out treats. Don’t allow kid’s hands in bowls.
- Candy/items should be factory-sealed
- Limit treat choices
- Consider waving to the kids from a distance or behind a door and spread out treats on a table or prepare individually sealed bags ahead of time to maintain social distancing.
- Provide hand sanitizer for Trick or Treaters
- If you or anyone in your household isn’t feeling well, has a fever, or is under quarantine do NOT give out candy. Porch Light Off.

Alternatives to Trick or Treating:

- Costume parade on your block/neighborhood
- Celebrate with your family/pod at home. Wear your costumes!
- Special Halloween-themed dinner at home

These Trick or Treating Best Practices are simply guidance and the Town of Newton is not managing or responsible for any Trick or Treating activities. All individuals are responsible for and liable for any and all risks associated with Trick or Treating activities. The Town of Newton shall not be responsible for any injury, illness or damage, including those associated with Trick or Treating activities.

For additional information, see the State Department Guidance at:
https://www.state.nj.us/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/NJ_Halloween_2020.pdf