

Iowa Wing, CIVIL AIR PATROL

United States Air Force Auxiliary

SAFETY BRIEFING for October, 2002

Halloween Season is a fact of life in this state every October, whatever you may personally think about it. The direct consequence for us in Civil Air Patrol is that we need to be extra vigilant during evening and night hours to watch for kids on the streets. Watch speeds and use a road guard when backing.

For those who are parents or grandparents the following Safety Tips are in order:

1. Inspect all treats before anyone eats them.
2. Make sure costumes are not a trip hazard, or a fire hazard.
3. Make sure mask eye holes are large enough so they don't obstruct vision.
4. Have the child use a flashlight, so they can see and be seen.
5. Add reflective devices [such as are available at bike shops] to child's clothing.
6. Insist that the child walk on sidewalks wherever possible. If there are no sidewalks they should walk as close to the curb as possible. The child should be trained never to dart out from between parked cars, or jaywalk.