



NEW YORK ARMY NATIONAL GUARD SAFETY OFFICE

RISK MANAGEMENT MONTHLY

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National Fire Prevention Month! Have a Safe and Happy Halloween!

SAFETY MONTH

OCTOBER 2025

**SAFETY IS
NOT A GAME**

NO CHEAT CODES

NO EXTRA LIVES

JUST SMART MOVES

**OCTOBER
IS FIRE
PREVENTION
MONTH**
Be Aware & Stay Safe!



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R



Rescue
anyone in immediate
danger of the fire.

A



Alarm
Activate the nearest fire
alarm **and** call
your fire response
telephone number.

C



Contain
fire by closing all
doors in the fire area

E



Extinguish
small fires. If the fire
cannot be extinguished,
leave the area and
close the door.

You should know:

- Locations of nearest fire extinguishers and alarm pull boxes
- The fire location - room number and building
- All fire exits in your work area

How to properly operate a Fire Extinguisher

P



Pull
the pin, release a
lock latch or press a
puncture lever.

A



Aim
the extinguisher at the
base of the fire.

S



Squeeze
the handle of the fire
extinguisher.

S



Sweep
from side-to-side at the
base of the flame.

Learn the
Sounds
of Fire Safety

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PREVENTION
WEEK™**

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FIRE SAFETY DOs AND DON'Ts



**SOUND
THE
ALARM**



IF CLOTHES ARE ON FIRE,
DASH TO SAFE AREA,
**DROP
AND
ROLL**



**STRICTLY OBEY
NO SMOKING
SIGNS**



**JUST GET
OUT**



ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS
GAS STOVE'S BURNERS
HOSES
REGULATORS
LPG TANKS



UNPLUG
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES
IF NOT IN USE. AVOID
ELECTRICAL OVERLOADING.



**CROUCH LOW
OR CRAWL WHEN
ESCAPING**



**KEEP CHILDREN AWAY
FROM FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS,
LIGHTERS AND MATCHES**



**NEVER LEAVE
LIGHTED CANDLES
UNATTENDED**

Safety Tools & Resources



The New York Army
National Guard Safety
Webpage



The Army National Guard
Safety Website



Is your command compliant?
Initiate a Command Safety
Assessment



The United States Army
Combat Readiness Center
Website



The future of Safety
Reporting and Statistics
for the Army



Create & Manage your
deliberate risk management
worksheets online

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Trick-or-Treat Safety Tips

Beware the overshare.
Refrain from sharing Halloween plans on social media. Social Media savvy burglars have been known to take advantage of homes when people are away.

Only approach houses with porch lights on.
NEVER go inside a stranger's home!

Always walk with a parent or approved adult.
No child under 12 years of age should trick-or-treat without an adult.

Stay on sidewalks.
Refrain from cutting across yards or alleys.

Cross the street in groups.
Always cross at designated crosswalks.

Toss away any unwrapped candy
unless approved by a parent.

Wear BRIGHT, reflective costumes
and no low hanging fabric that children can trip on.

DON'T LET TREATS TRICK YOU OUT OF STAYING SAFE THIS HALLOWEEN

Halloween Safety Month

PLAN
Plan for a safe ride home after a Halloween party.

BE ALERT
Be extra alert for children running along sidewalks, into the road or behind your vehicle when backing up.

BE SEEN
Add GloSticks or reflective tape to costumes.

SECURE PETS

BUDDY SYSTEM
Go trick-or-treating with a friend or in a group to increase visibility.

CROSSWALKS
Stick to crosswalks because this is where drivers expect to see pedestrians.

WALK ON SIDEWALKS

SLOW DOWN & STAY ALERT.

Trick-Or-Treat Safety Tips

Children are 4x more likely to be involved in a fatal pedestrian accident on Halloween than any other night.

12% of children 5 and younger are given the thumbs up to go trick-or-treating alone

18% of parents use reflective tape on their children's costumes

35% of parents talk to their kids about halloween safety each year

Make sure you are with your parents or an approved adult!

Stay on the pavement and cross the road in groups

Only approach houses with porch lights on!

Get your parents to check your sweets

Wear bright reflective costumes

Make sure someone in the group has a mobile phone

CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

MORE THAN 400 PEOPLE IN THE U.S. DIE EACH YEAR DUE TO CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) POISONING, AND MORE THAN 100,000 ARE HOSPITALIZED FOR ACCIDENTAL CO POISONING, ACCORDING TO THE CDC.

WINTER SAFETY:
BE AWARE, PREPARE, TAKE CARE!

- Get a working CO detector and check its batteries at least every six months.
- Have your heating system, vents, and any gas, coal or oil appliances routinely serviced by a qualified technician. Make sure ventilation systems are free of debris.
- Avoid running a vehicle in an enclosed garage. Do not run any gasoline-powered equipment, like a generator, in an enclosed space.
- Remember, CO is invisible and odorless.
- Common symptoms of CO poisoning: dizziness, headache, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain and confusion. Sometimes, though, there are no symptoms, especially if asleep or consuming alcohol.

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