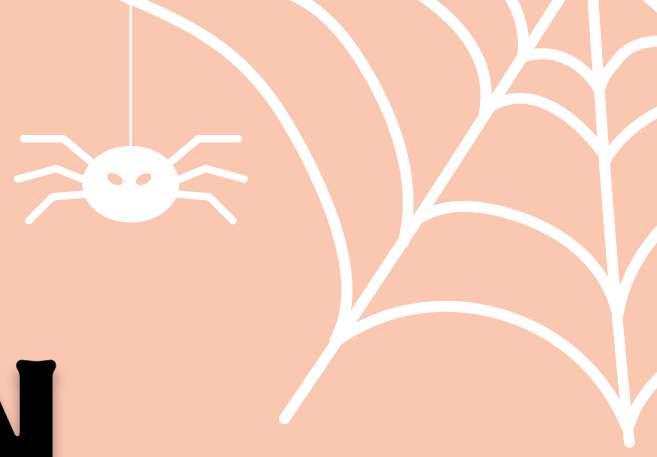




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HALLOWEEN FIRE SAFETY TIPS

- When choosing a costume, stay away from long trailing fabric and make sure eye holes in masks are large enough to see out of.
- Provide children with flashlights or glow sticks as part of their costume.
- Dried flowers, cornstalks, and crepe paper catch fire easily. Keep all decorations away from open flames and other heat sources.
- Use battery-operated candles or glow-sticks in jack-o-lanterns. If you use real candles, use extreme caution. Be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn and far enough out of the way of trick-or-treaters.
- Keep exits clear of decorations, so nothing blocks escape routes.
- Make sure all smoke alarms in the home are working.
- Tell children to stay away from open flames including jack-o-lanterns with candles in them. Be sure they know how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing catches fire. (Have them practice, stopping immediately, dropping to the ground, covering their face with hands, and rolling over and over to put the flames out.)



DID YOU KNOW: DECORATIONS ARE THE FIRST THING TO IGNITE IN ROUGHLY 800 REPORTED HOME FIRES EACH YEAR. MORE THAN 1/3 OF THESE FIRES WERE STARTED BY A CANDLE.

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