

Halloween Safety Tips for Restaurants

Even though Halloween is a fun and exciting evening for children across the country, October 31st presents unique challenges. In some cases, restaurants will have their busiest day of the year when streets are filled with young “trick” or “treaters” and parents chaperoning these young pedestrians.

Child Safety:

- Watch out for children who may dart between parked cars.
- Enter & exit parking areas and alleys carefully.
- Remember, children may be wearing masks that could hinder their vision and their darker clothing may make them harder to see.

Store Safety:

- Have carryout customers remove their face masks before entering the store.
- Front doors and windows should be kept clear of signs and posters to allow two-way visibility.
- Keep the interior and exterior of the restaurant well lit.
- Be aware of suspicious people and activities around your restaurant. Do not allow loitering.
- Keep all doors secured. Verify your locks are in good working order.

Delivery Service Safety:

- Know your delivery area and where you're going before you leave the store.
- Adjust your speed to weather, traffic and especially pedestrians.
- Be cautious of intoxicated pedestrians and drivers.
- Check behind your vehicle for children or other obstructions before reversing the vehicle.
- Keep car doors locked at all times. Never leave your car running.
- Confirm all new orders.

Ask customers for the following:

1. Specific directions to their home
2. Landmarks to help identify their home
3. To turn on their porch light

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