

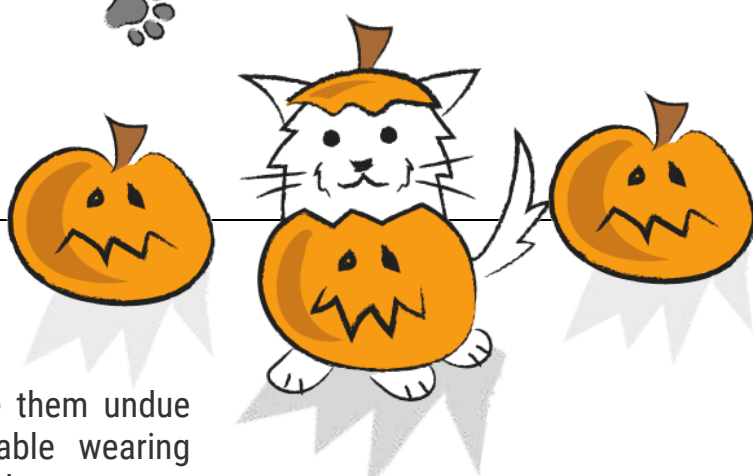
Halloween Tips for Pets

Halloween is a fun night for kids and adults, but it can be scary for our furry friends. Here are some tricks to keep your pets safe on the spookiest night of the year.

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Be mindful of costumes

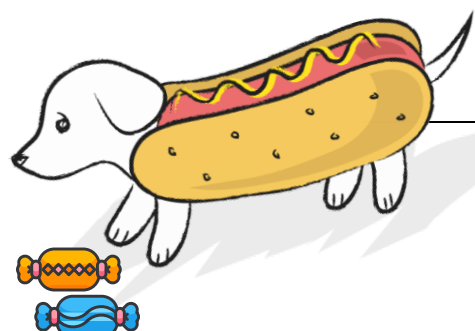
Putting a pet in a costume may cause them undue stress. Make sure they are comfortable wearing "clothes" before dressing them up. And always ensure the costume does not restrict their movements or vision in any way.



Keep a close watch on candy

Keep the candy bowl away from Fido or Fluffy - many popular treats are highly toxic to pets. Chocolate is especially harmful, as well as sugar-free options containing the chemical xylitol. Call your veterinarian or the ASPCA poison control immediately if you believe your pet has swallowed something harmful: 888-426-4435.

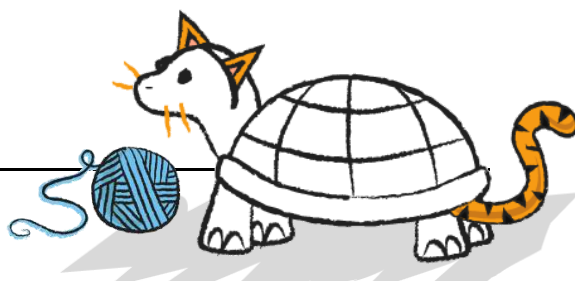
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Keep your pet inside

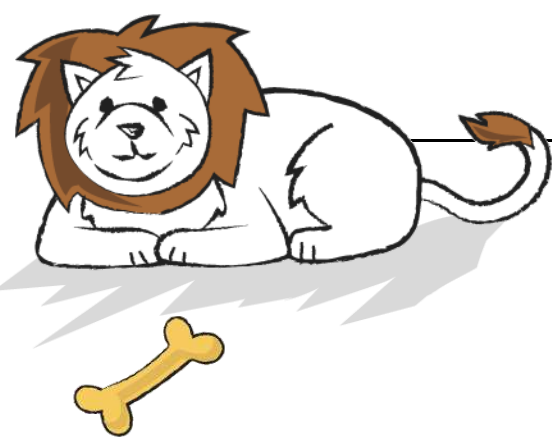
Consider keeping pets that are nervous around strangers or afraid of weird noises inside in a safe space, away from the front door. This will also keep them from trying to dart outside when the door is constantly opening and closing.



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Keep an eye on decorations

While common Halloween decorations such as pumpkins and corn are relatively safe, consuming them can cause minor discomfort. The bigger risk is when candles are added to Jack-O-Lanterns or displays - which can be a safety hazard for a curious pet.



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Don't forget your pet's identification!

Always prepare for the worst and keep your pet's ID tags up to date. Micro-chipping is also a good idea - that way if your pet does accidentally escape during the fun, you can more easily locate him or her.



Still worried about how your pet will handle Halloween? Give us a call or stop by our office for additional suggestions on how to keep them calm.