



Cat Tales

Fall 2010

Halloween Safety Tips

Keep Candy and Chocolate Away from Cats.

Keep holiday treats and candies, out of your cat's reach as they can make your pet quite sick. If eaten, candy wrappers can cause an upset stomach. Chocolate, particularly unsweetened, dark, bittersweet and baking chocolate, can be toxic to pets. If your cat eats chocolate, call your veterinarian or an animal poison control center, as treatment may need to be rendered immediately. Symptoms of toxicity include excitement, nervousness, trembling, vomiting, diarrhea, excessive thirst or urination, muscle spasms and seizures.

Keep Cats In When Trick-or-Treaters Are Out

If you plan to participate in Halloween festivities, such as answering your door to trick-or-treaters, keep cats in a quiet part of the house. Cats can become overexcited, confused or frightened by trick-or-treaters in costume.

Watch for open doors and make sure your cats have ID tags and/or microchips in case they do get out. Remind your guests that your normally friendly pet may want to be left alone.

Outdoor pets, especially black cats, should be kept indoors on Halloween.

Decorations Are Potential Tricks

Halloween decorations such as fake cobwebs should be kept out of reach of cats.

Glow sticks can be hazardous if chewed or ingested.

Light strands, loose wires and electric cords can be a serious hazard to your cat.

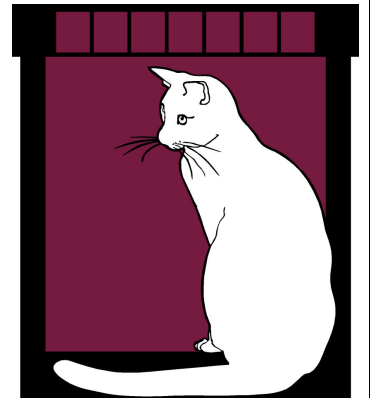
Never leave candles, such as those in jack-o-lanterns, unattended, especially around kittens.

Never allow your pets to eat a leftover jack-o-lantern, as a rotted, moldy pumpkin can make them seriously ill.

Costumes May Not Be a Treat

Some cats might not mind "dressing up" for Halloween, but, for others, it could be a stressful experience best avoided.

Costumes should fit properly and not hinder your cat's movement, vision or breathing. Have your pet try out the costume several times before Halloween so it can get used to



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Mature at 7-10 years,
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and Geriatric at 15 + years

HOW OLD IS MY CAT IN PEOPLE YEARS?

Cat Years	Human Years
1	16
2	21
3	25
4	29
5	33
6	37
7	41
8	45
9	49
10	53
11	57
12	61
13	65
14	69
15	73
16	77
17	81
18	85

An eye opening awareness that they age much faster than we do. Schedule an exam today and let's prevent and manage some of the health issues that come with advancing age:

- Kidney Disease
- Hyperthyroidism
- Dental Disease
- Impaired Immune System
- Senility
- Vision & Hearing Loss
- Dehydration
- Arthritis
- Diabetes
- Hypertension
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease

