

Halloween Message

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Village of Hamburg Mayor Tom Moses

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Saturday October 31st, is Halloween with our traditional recognition of trick-or-treating, which hopefully can occur between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. that evening.

Our annual Halloween trick-or-treat tradition is a highly anticipated event for all Hamburg families. We have established a happy tradition of Halloween fun for the young and young at heart. However, in this COVID-19 season some families may feel it necessary to re-think traditional Halloween plans. Your decision is entirely your own to make.

According to CDC guidelines related to COVID-19 trick-or-treating is considered a high risk activity. If your family decides to trick-or-treat in the traditional manner this year you may want to consider some safety precautions:

1. Make sure that trick-or-treaters wear a protective mask and check to ensure that each child can breathe comfortably.
2. Limit the group size of children and adult chaperones. It may be better to keep trick-or-treating groups to just siblings or a close friend or two.
3. Keep a safe distance between any trick-or-treaters outside of your group, and maintain a safe social distance for all concerned.
4. Those distributing candy should wear face masks and gloves when greeting/handing out candy to trick-or-treaters. If possible greet the trick-or-treaters on your porch or at your front walk to minimize contact with hard surfaces.
5. Carry and use hand sanitizer as needed for the benefit of the trick-or-treaters and their parents or chaperones.
6. Some homeowners may not wish to participate in Halloween activities. If that is the case, it is recommended that those homeowners keep their outside lights off as a signal to the adult chaperones and to the trick-or-treaters.

If CDC guidelines change between now and Halloween we will notify you so that you may be fully apprised of all of the relevant guidance from our State and County Health Departments.

In the meantime thank you very much for your anticipated cooperation.

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