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Halloween Pet Safety Tips

- Candy should never be given to animals. If a pet has accidental ingestion, there are two kinds of treats that are especially dangerous.
 - *Chocolate is toxic to animals and is dependent on amount ingested. Dark or Baker's chocolate can be dangerous even in very small quantities.*
 - *Any sugar-free candy or gum with Xylitol is **very** toxic. A 10lb pet can die from half a stick of gum.*
- Take care not to leave all candy wrappers in a pet's reach. If they ingest them, it could lead to a GI obstruction.
- Use caution putting costumes on pets. Make sure they are comfortable and do not pose a choking hazard.
- Guard the door when trick-or-treaters come so that Fido or Fluffy won't escape out the door in all the excitement.
 - Be cautious if taking pets trick-or-treating with the family. They don't understand everyone is dressed up for fun. There also may be lights and strange sounds that may scare them.

If your pet ingests any chocolate, sugar-free treats, or wrappers please call your veterinarian immediately.



Please give us a call if you have any further questions and have a **Happy Halloween!**