

Have a Fun—and Safe—Halloween!

Let's all celebrate Halloween safely with our family and friends.

CALENDAR

Monday, Oct. 31

Council-in-Committee
2 p.m.
Council Chambers

Regular Council
7 p.m.
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Join us for some scary and silly fun

Saturday, Oct. 29

Pinetree Halloween Event for Youth (11 – 18 yrs)

Enjoy Halloween themed crafts, games, music and treats. Costumes are encouraged. **1260 Pinetree Way | 6 – 9 p.m. | Course ID# 106532 | Free**

Sunday, Oct. 30

Drop-in Public Skate (All Ages)

Dress in costume, lace up your skates and hit the ice for this Halloween themed drop in public skate. **633 Poirier St. | 1:15 – 2:30 p.m. or 2:45 – 4 p.m.**
Family admission rates and regular rental rates apply. Learn more at coquitlam.ca/skating or call 604-927-4386.

Halloween Fun at Maillardville Community Centre (0 – 5 yrs)

Join us for an afternoon of Halloween themed crafts, activities and spooky surprises. **1200 Cartier Ave. | 2 – 4 p.m. | Course ID# 105313 | \$5 per child**

Tips for Trick-or-Treaters

- Choose costumes that are bright or reflective and that don't drag.
- Ensure you can see clearly through costume masks.
- Use flashlights or glow sticks to increase visibility.
- Use battery-operated candles for jack-o-lanterns.
- Keep matches, lighters and candles out of children's reach.
- Keep exits from your home clear of decorations so nothing blocks escape routes.
- Ensure all smoke alarms are working.

Stay Safe

Let's ensure we all reduce the risk of fire this Halloween. Consider displaying your pumpkins inside from a window using an LED candle rather than outside with a flammable candle. Many fires are started and a lot of people are injured by firecrackers and fireworks each year. In Coquitlam, it is illegal to sell, buy and/or set off firecrackers, and fireworks are prohibited unless you have a Firework Permit from Coquitlam Fire/Rescue. More information can be found here coquitlam.ca/fireworks.

Bylaw Enforcement Officers, RCMP and Fire Rescue Services will be conducting proactive patrols to support public safety in the City throughout Halloween weekend and responding to calls.

Drivers Watch Out

Expect the unexpected—slow down and look for pedestrians. There will be more foot traffic on Halloween, so give yourself extra time to navigate residential streets and stay alert.

Protect our Environment

Do you love pumpkins? So do bears! If you are displaying them outside, only do so on Halloween and do not leave them out overnight. Bears are fattening up for winter and those gourds are an attractant. After Halloween, remember pumpkins are compostable so you can dispose of them in your Green Cart. coquitlam.ca/bearsmart / coquitlam.ca/trashtalk

Keep Pets Safe

Keep pets inside—fireworks and costumed strangers can be alarming for pets, potentially causing them to run off, jump out open windows or dart into traffic. Make sure your dog or cat wears identification and has permanent ID such as a tattoo or microchip in case they do run off. Keep human treats out of your pet's reach—candy is unhealthy and can be toxic.

