

Help Keep Kids and Dogs Safe This Halloween

Halloween can be a lot of fun for kids and adults alike – but it can be quite stressful for dogs. A little planning can reduce the stress on your pet and protect Edmonton's little ghosts and goblins from dog bites.

Here are some tips to keep your Halloween dog-bite free:

- Keep your dog from charging the door or fence by putting them in the garage or another room inside the house with their favourite toys.
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 If you take your dog out, be sure they are on a leash held by an adult. Also try to walk your dog either before or after the main trick-or-treating rush.
- Don't let your kids approach strange dogs without close supervision and the owner's permission.
- Approach dogs slowly and remove masks so they can recognize you. Pet dogs under the chin instead
 of on top of the head.
- Don't enter yards that have a strange dog loose inside. Even dogs that are normally friendly can be aggressive if you frighten them.

For more information or to report a bite or stray dog, please call 311.

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