



October 7, 2020

To our Combat Center Community,

Marines, Sailors, and families, as we prepare for Halloween aboard the Combat Center on Saturday, 31 October 2020, I want to direct your attention to precautions that protect our children and our neighbors. The Combat Center trick-or-treat hours will be 1730-2000. For those that do not wish to participate turn off your lights.

Many Halloween activities involve families gathering with neighbors and sharing treats. Due to the current COVID-19 posture and the possibility of secondary effects brought upon by a potential positive case, I encourage all to limit house-to-house trick or treating to your immediate residential block. Limiting the contact tracing circle to the respective residential blocks will assist in regulating the potential spread aboard the Combat Center should we incur a positive case. All participants will continue to follow COVID-19 safety protocols, including wearing face coverings, remaining six feet apart from those not in your family group and frequently washing your hands. I also urge you to use caution by only providing factory sealed treats, using tongs or wearing gloves to pick up treats when distributing candy, or by placing treats on a tray so children can pick up their own candy. Throughout this pandemic the resiliency of those aboard the installation have ensured the safety and wellbeing of our families, Halloween festivities should be no different.

Stay Safe and Happy Halloween.

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