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## Halloween Safety

Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to the safety of our children.

Children are twice as likely to be hit and killed by a car on Halloween than any other time of the year.

In 2017 approximately 7,450 pedestrians were killed in collisions with motor vehicles.

By following a few of these simple tips, you can help make Halloween a fun and safe time for everyone.

- Children under the age of 12 should have an adult go out with them.
- Carry glow sticks or flashlights and use reflective tape on costumes and bags to help the children be most visible for drivers.
- Motorists should slow down and expect that children may dart into the streets or run between cars.



- Talk to your children about only crossing streets at corners or crosswalks.
- Any costume accessories, such as swords, knives should be short, soft and flexible.
- When you select a costume for your children, make sure the costume is properly sized. Costumes that are too big or do not properly fit can cause trips and falls.
- Parents should examine the children's candy for choking hazards and tampering before they are eaten.
- Consider using face paint instead of masks. Masks can limit the child's view.

By following a few simple safety tips, we can keep our children safe this Halloween.

Credit: CDC and Safekids.org



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## Cold Weather Injuries – Hypothermia

With the recently cold weather that has moved into the area, now is a good time to think about cold weather safety.

Hypothermia is a common cold weather injury that can be fatal if left untreated.

### Hypothermia

Hypothermia is defined as having a core body temperature below 95 degrees.

Hypothermia can be classified as being mild, moderate, or severe and occurs when heat loss is greater than heat production.

Hypothermia can occur suddenly, such as immersion in cold

water, or can happen over hours or days.

### Common Symptoms

Common symptoms include vigorous shivering, confusion, slurred speech, sleepiness, shallow breathing, weak pulse, low blood pressure, and a change in behavior. In severe cases of hypothermia, shivering will stop, and the victim may attempt to remove clothing.

### Prevention

You can prevent hypothermia by dressing in layers to prevent overheating and wearing proper clothing for the weather.



### Treatment

For most people suffering from hypothermia; moving the person to a warmer location and removing wet clothing will be enough to restore core body temperatures.

For people suffering from advanced hypothermia, call for medical attention and avoid aggressive warming techniques.

**DON'T JUST STAND BY AND WATCH**

Text confidential tips to the

**Buffalo Ridge Drug Task Force**

**100% Anonymous**



BRDTF Tips available on Apple and Android devices

## Animal Adoptions

Looking for a new furry friend this year?

Look no further than the Worthington Animal Control pound! Animal Control Officer Josh Erwin has a nice selection of furry friends waiting to find their forever home!



Call Josh at 507-295-5400 to find out who is available for adoption!

# Scam Alert: Fake Email Ticket

Most tickets issued by the police are issued in person, while a few others may be mailed to the offender.

Scammers have capitalized on the fact that not all tickets are issued in person.

They have done this by emailing fake tickets to their potential victims.

When the potential victim opens the email, it

will redirect the victim's computer to a fake website that appears to be identical to a real website run by a state or local law enforcement.

From there, the scammers will try to grab account logins or credit card numbers.

These emails will typically have malicious files on them designed to steal your personal information.

## What should you do?

If you receive one of these "email tickets" do not click on any email links in the email.

I am not aware of any agencies that email tickets.

If you receive a ticket, look up the agency information online and call them in person to verify if the ticket is real or not.



Do you have a question about a scam or have been a victim of a scam that you would like warn others about? If so, please email [chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us](mailto:chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us)

You may remain anonymous.

# Ask an Officer: Signing Tickets

## Why do the police require motorists to sign tickets during traffic stops?

The signing of traffic tickets varies by state. In Minnesota, we do not require motorists to sign traffic tickets.

When you are released with a ticket on a traffic stop, you are released on the promise that you will appear in court or pay the fine for the ticket.

Some states require the signing of the ticket as the promise to appear in court in lieu of being arrested and posting bond. Other states, such as Minnesota, this is implied.

If you fail to appear in court or pay the fine for a petty

misdemeanor ticket; this is considered a plea of guilty and a waiver of your right to a trial, unless the failure to appear is due to circumstances beyond the person's control. Failure to pay the fine can result in the ticket being turned over to a collection agency.

If the charge is a misdemeanor, a failure to appear or pay the fine, it can result in the suspension of your driver's license or an arrest warrant being issued.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE TRIAL COURT									
TRIAL BY	NAME OF TRIAL COURT	16202	STREET						
HARTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	1404	S	FOURTH	STREET					
DATE OF TRIAL	TIME OF TRIAL	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE					
03/20/2019	1500	HARTSVILLE	SC	29550					
VIOLATION SECTION NO.	VIOLATION - COURT APPEARANCE REQUIRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> NO								
DATE OF VIOLATION	TIME OF VIOL.	SC POINTS	B.A. LEVEL	REF					
VIOLATION LOCATION									
TAX	LONG	HARTSVILLE							
NAME AND RANK OF ARRESTING OFFICER		POLICE OFFICER NUMBER							
ARREST OFFICER	DATE OF ARREST	BOND AMOUNT REQUESTED							
DATE BAIL RECD.	BY								
CASE	MAGISTRATE <input type="checkbox"/>	MAJ. COURT <input type="checkbox"/>	CIRCUIT COURT <input type="checkbox"/>	FAMILY COURT <input type="checkbox"/>	FEDERAL COURT <input type="checkbox"/>				
NAME OF THE TRIAL COURT IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE:									
TRIAL BY:	TRIAL JUDGE <input type="checkbox"/>	JURY <input type="checkbox"/>	DEFENDANT: DID NOT APPEAR <input type="checkbox"/>	APPEARED <input type="checkbox"/>					
DISPOSITION DATE	DISPOSITION	NOLE PROSSED <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT GUILTY <input type="checkbox"/>	DETERMINED BAC: <input type="checkbox"/>					
CHARGE CONVICTED OF	SAME AS ORIGINAL <input type="checkbox"/>	SC POINTS							
JAIL	SUSPENSE	FINE	AMT. COLLECTED	AMT. SUSPENDED	COMMITTED TO	VERBOS			

## What if I refuse to sign the ticket?

If you refuse to sign the ticket in a state that requires the signature, you will probably be arrested and required to post bond.

Your signature on the ticket is not an admission of guilt and only a promise to pay the fine or appear in court.

Do you have a question for a police officer, but never had the chance to ask?

Here is your chance! Each month, one question will be selected and answered in this newsletter. Send your comments and questions to:

[chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us](mailto:chillesheim@co.nobles.mn.us)

# Humor in Law Enforcement

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We're on the Web!

See us at:  
[www.ci.worthington.mn.us](http://www.ci.worthington.mn.us)



## Mission Statement

**Serving Worthington with honor and integrity  
by working WITH the community  
to provide exceptional public safety.**

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