



# CHARGE

OF BATTERY SAFETY



**CHOOSE CERTIFIED PRODUCTS.**



When purchasing lithium-ion battery-powered devices, be sure to look for products that are listed or safety certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory to ensure they meet important safety requirements.

Countless products sold online do not meet these critical safety standards.

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**HANDLE DEVICES  
WITH CARE.**



Follow the manufacturer's instructions.

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- Only use the **charging** equipment that comes with the product.
- Do not modify the battery or the **charger** in any way.
- **Charge** larger devices (such as eBikes) outside the home – and never in your exit path.
- Do not **charge** larger devices overnight.

Store batteries away from extreme temperatures, direct sunlight, exits, and anything flammable.



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**ALWAYS STAY ALERT  
FOR WARNING SIGNS.**

## TRUST YOUR SENSES



Check battery-powered devices often for damage or abuse such as **swelling or punctures**.

**Watch** out for excessive heat or a strange odor.

**White or gray wispy smoke** indicates immediate danger of thermal runaway.

Listen for **unusual hissing or popping** sounds.

**If you notice any of these warning signs, stop using the lithium-ion powered devices.**

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**RECYCLE DEVICES AND BATTERIES PROPERLY.**

Responsibly dispose of old or damaged batteries and devices by taking them to the nearest battery recycling center.

Visit [www.earth911.com](http://www.earth911.com)

to find a location to properly dispose of any items.



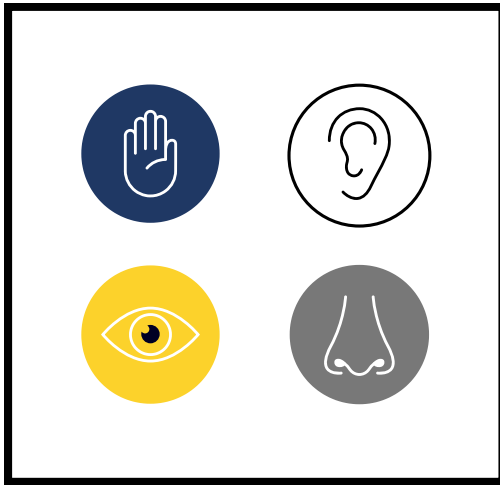
**Never discard batteries, chargers, or battery-powered devices in regular trash bins.**

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# TAKE **CHARGE** OF BATTERY SAFETY

**GET OUT QUICKLY IF THERE'S A FIRE.**



**KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS TO  
LOOK AND LISTEN FOR AND GET  
OUT IF YOU SEE OR HEAR ONE.**

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**Follow your home fire escape plan to leave  
immediately and call 9-1-1.**

## **Working smoke alarms saves lives**

Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, including every sleeping room and outside of each sleeping area.

## **Know two ways out**

Identify two ways out of every room. Consider how to accommodate anyone in your home who has a disability

## **Have a meeting place**

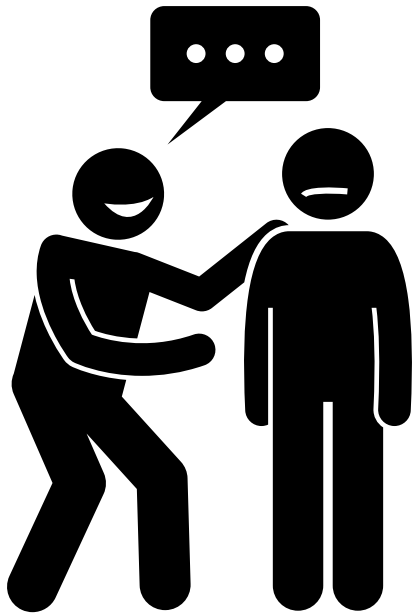
The meeting place should be visible from the road so that first responders can easily see you.

**GET OUT, STAY OUT | Do not go back into the burning building, even for pets.**



# TAKE **C.H.A.R.G.E.** OF BATTERY SAFETY

**EDUCATE OTHERS ON BATTERY SAFETY.**



Now that you know what actions to take, **EDUCATE** and **SPREAD THE WORD.**

**PROTECT** your friends and loved ones by **SHARING** how they can **Take C.H.A.R.G.E. of Battery Safety.**

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