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BE NICE TO YOUR DEVICE AND SAFELY RECYCLE ITS LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES!

What should you do if you have a device with a lithium-ion battery that isn't functional, has a dead battery, or you no longer use?

Lithium-ion batteries and the devices they power need to be safely recycled at designated locations.

Place each battery or device in a clear plastic bag and seal it before placing it in the designated recycling container, which you can find at stores like Staples, Home Depot, and

Lowe's. Never mix lithium-ion batteries with other types of batteries (such as alkaline or lead acid).

To find the nearest store or collection center that accepts lithium-ion batteries and devices for recycling, visit [BeNiceToYourDevice.org](https://www.BeNiceToYourDevice.org).



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WHAT TO DO IF ...

YOU DON'T HAVE A CLEAR PLASTIC BAG

When clear plastic bags are not available, taping the terminals to prevent inadvertent shorts can serve a similar safety purpose.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Use clear packing tape, duct tape, or electrical tape. DO NOT use other types of tape such as masking tape or gift wrap tape. If your battery or device has a charging terminal (where you'd plug a charger into your phone, for example), place a small piece of tape on the charging terminal. If your battery looks similar to a single-use battery (with a flat side on one end and a bump on the other end), place a small piece of tape on the positive terminal (the end with the bump).

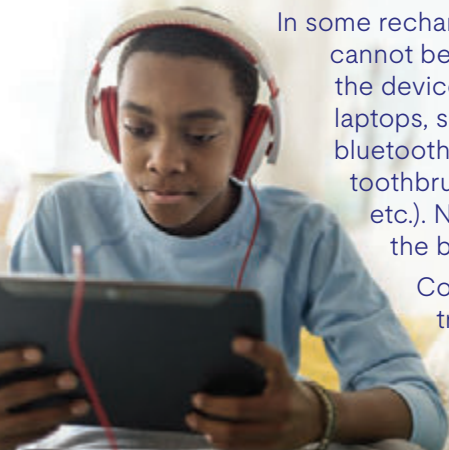


YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO REMOVE THE LI-ION BATTERY, OR THE BATTERY IS WELDED INTO THE DEVICE

Check the user manual or manufacturer's instructions (most can be found online with a quick internet search). DO NOT attempt to remove the battery without instructions.

In some rechargeable devices, the battery cannot be removed or is welded into the device (i.e., some smart phones, laptops, smart watches, tablets, bluetooth headphones, electric toothbrushes, cordless power tools, etc.). NEVER attempt to remove the battery in these cases.

Contact the manufacturer for trade-in or disposal options.



YOUR LI-ION BATTERY WEIGHS MORE THAN 11 POUNDS, YOU HAVE A LARGE AMOUNT OF BATTERIES OR DEVICES, OR YOU HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR RECYCLING NEEDS

Contact Call2Recycle customer service at customerservice@call2recycle.org or toll-free at 1-877-723-1297.

YOU HAVE A DAMAGED, DEFECTIVE, OR RECALLED LI-ION BATTERY OR DEVICE

Li-ion batteries that have visible damage, such as swelling or leaking, or that have been recalled by the manufacturer, are considered to have an elevated safety risk and should never be stored, collected, or transported with other batteries or devices.

Instead, store your damaged, defective, or recalled (DDR) batteries or devices separately, fully surrounded by cat litter or sand. Contact the manufacturer to see if they will provide an option for return or disposal. Otherwise, contact Call2Recycle customer service to order a special DDR kit that will allow you to safely ship your battery or device to a designated processing facility: customerservice@call2recycle.org or toll-free at 1-877-723-1297.

TAKE OUR ADVICE! BE NICE TO YOUR DEVICE AND KEEP IT OUT OF THE TRASH.



Recycle rechargeable batteries and devices for a safer, more sustainable world. Visit BeNiceToYourDevice.org to learn more.