

BE BATTERY SMART

IT'S GOOD TO BE
A KNOW-IT-ALL

Got a tablet, laptop,
hand-held video game,
smart watch, or cell phone?

Rechargeable lithium-ion (Li-ion)
batteries supply power to all of those
devices and more.

If improperly charged,
stored, used, thrown
away, or recycled, **these
batteries can catch fire
or explode.**



Be Battery Smart.

- 1** Always follow the manufacturer's instructions. Different devices may have different requirements.
- 2** Never charge a device under your pillow, on your bed, or on a couch.
- 3** Don't overcharge devices or leave them charging overnight. Unplug them once they are fully charged.
- 4** Don't use batteries that are swollen, leaking, dented, or show other signs of damage.
- 5** Do not place rechargeable batteries in your household garbage or recycling cart. Recycle properly.

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