

## Battery Warnings and Safety Precautions

*Extreme temperatures reduce battery performance. Avoid putting battery-powered devices in very warm places.*

*Make sure that you insert batteries into your device properly, with the + (plus) and – (minus) terminals aligned correctly.*

**CAUTION:** *Some equipment using more than three batteries may appear to work properly even if one battery is inserted incorrectly.*

### **Battery Do's and Don'ts**

<u>DO</u>	<u>Don't</u>
DO read the instructions on your device before installing batteries. Only use the size and type of battery specified in the instructions.	DON'T dispose of batteries in a fire — they may leak or rupture.
DO insert the batteries properly. Follow the symbols showing the correct way to position the positive (+) and the negative (-) ends of the batteries.	DON'T disassemble, crush, puncture, or otherwise damage batteries. This can result in leakage or rupture.
DO keep battery contact surfaces clean by gently rubbing with a clean pencil eraser or cloth.	DON'T carry loose batteries in a pocket or purse with metal objects like coins, paper clips, etc. This can short-circuit the battery, leading to high heat or leakage.
DO immediately remove exhausted batteries from your device and dispose of properly.	DON'T recharge a battery unless it is specifically marked "rechargeable." Attempting to recharge a non-rechargeable (primary) battery could result in leakage or rupture. Don't use rechargeable alkaline batteries in nickel metal hydride battery chargers.
DO remove all batteries from the device at the same time and replace them with new batteries of the same size and type.	DON'T store batteries or battery-powered devices in hot places — elevated temperatures can lead to capacity loss, leakage or rupture.
DO preserve battery life by switching off a device and removing the batteries when it is not being used, and is not expected to be used for extended periods of time.  Remove batteries from equipment while it is being powered by household (AC) current.	DON'T mix old and new batteries, or mix different types or makes of batteries. This can cause leakage or rupture, resulting in personal injury or property damage.
DO practice proper battery storage by keeping batteries in a cool, dry place at normal room temperature. It is not necessary to store batteries in a refrigerator.	DON'T give batteries to young children.  IF YOU SUSPECT YOUR CHILD HAS SWALLOWED A BUTTON BATTERY - PLEASE CONTACT THE

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***Additional Do's and Don'ts for Rechargeable Batteries***

<b>DO</b>	<b>Don't</b>
DO follow the manufacturer's directions carefully for battery storage and care, and don't overcharge batteries.	DON'T leave your rechargeable batteries discharged or unused for extended periods of time. To extend battery life, charge them at least every 6-9 months.
DO charge your battery at room temperature (68°F to 72°F) to extend battery life. Batteries get warm during charging and use—this is normal. As a precaution, most batteries and chargers are designed to protect against overheating.	DON'T recharge a battery unless it is specifically marked "rechargeable." Attempting to recharge a primary (non-rechargeable) battery could result in leakage or rupture.
DO remember to recharge your battery a few hours before you want to use it. Rechargeable batteries lose a percentage of their charge each day when left off the charger.	DON'T use rechargeable batteries in chargers that are not designed for the specific battery type.
Do Keep battery contact surfaces and battery compartment contacts clean by rubbing them with a clean pencil eraser or a rough cloth each time you replace batteries. Dirty contact points are a primary source of charging challenges.	
DO use only chargers designed for your type of batteries. If unsure about compatibility, contact the product manufacturer.	
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