

Lithium batteries can cause fires



Li

Li symbol



Mobility scooter



E-bike



E-scooter

You can identify if a device has lithium ion batteries by reading the manual or finding the symbol Li on your device.

Charging

Don't

- ✗ Don't store in communal areas or block escape routes
- ✗ Don't charge in bedrooms or where escape routes can be blocked, like hallways
- ✗ Don't overload sockets or use extension leads plugged into each other
- ✗ Don't cover chargers or battery packs when charging
- ✗ Don't charge batteries when sleeping and not at home

Do

- ✓ Buy from retailers that mark the product with CE or UKCA (UK safety standards)
- ✓ Follow the instructions for charging
- ✓ Unplug when not in use and do not over charge
- ✓ Charge and store in cool places to avoid overheating
- ✓ Keep them away from flammable materials, like sofas or curtains

Stop charging your battery immediately if you notice any of the following:



Overheating

Battery feels extremely hot to the touch



Performance

Battery does not fully charge or is taking longer to charge than normal



Smell

A strong smell coming from the battery



Noise

Battery is making hissing or cracking sounds



Appearance

Battery looks swollen or any type of lump or leaking from the device



Smoke

Battery or device is smoking

Damage and disposal

- ✓ Check batteries and products regularly for signs of damage and don't use if you spot any.
- ✗ Don't put batteries in your household waste or recycling as this can result in fires in bin stores or bin lorries.

Battery safety information

For further information on battery safety, visit the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue service's website.



You can get this information in large print, Braille, audio or in another language by calling 023 9284 1193

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