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# SAFETY TALK

## Fire Prevention Week: Charge Into Fire Safety

This year's Fire Prevention Week™ (FPW™) campaign, October 5-11, **“Charge into Fire Safety™: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home,”** works to educate everyone about using these batteries safely. Most of the electronics we use in our homes every day are powered by lithium-ion batteries. In fact, most everything that's rechargeable uses this kind of battery. The campaign stresses how important it is to **BUY, CHARGE, and RECYCLE** safely when it comes to lithium-ion batteries.

### Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home



Lithium-Ion Batteries store a lot of energy in a small place. These batteries can overheat, start a fire, or explode if overcharged or damaged. By learning how to **BUY, CHARGE, and RECYCLE** these batteries, you can help prevent a fire in your home.

**BUY** only listed products.

**CHARGE** devices safely. Always use the cables that come with the product to charge.

**CHARGE** your device on a hard surface.

**STOP** using your device right away if the battery smells, gets too hot, makes popping noises, or changes colour or shape.

**RECYCLE** batteries responsibly. Do not throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash or regular recycling bin.

**RECYCLE** your device or battery at a safe battery recycling location.

Sources: [nfpa.org/](http://nfpa.org/)

*Safety is everyone's responsibility!*

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SAFETY TALK LEAD BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
DEPARTMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

WHERE IS MY NEAREST DROP OFF TO DISCARD MY LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES?

HOW MANY LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES ARE IN MY HOME?

HOW DO I DISCARD MY BATTERIES? IS THERE A SAFER METHOD TO DO SO?

| EMPLOYEE CONCERNS & IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENT: |
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| FOLLOW UP ON CONCERNS: |
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