

WOODSY OWL®'S

TIPS FOR BATTERY SAFETY

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When using battery-powered gadgets at home:

WOODSY WOULD...

Always use the charger that the item came with.

Keep these items and their batteries out of the heat.

Store these items and their batteries in cool, dry places when not using them.

WOODSY WOULDN'T...

Use a different charger than the one the item came with.

Leave these items or their batteries anywhere they could get hot.

Let batteries die and forget about them.

When your batteries can't hold a charge anymore:

WOODSY WOULD...

Remove the batteries from the item they used to power.

Tape the ends of your batteries, covering the points where it transmits power.

Use a site locator to find a safe battery drop-off site.

Order a safe battery return kit if you'll be mailing them in.

Turn batteries in at a safe drop-off site or through the mail using a safe return box.

WOODSY WOULDN'T...

Throw batteries in household trash or recycling.

Leave batteries inside the items that they used to power.

Lose track of any household items that have these batteries inside.

Put batteries under any weight or pressure.



Keep your family and community safe, never place batteries in recycling or waste. Visit BatterySafetyNow.org or scan the QR code to find a drop-off location near you.