

Safe Charging Is a **SUPERPOWER**

Charge into Fire Safety™



Family Power Check

Work together and see how strong your charging superpowers are.
Small actions. Big impact. Be a hero every time you plug in!

Total your **points** and enter your **score** below.

Circle one for each: ☐ Always ☐ Sometimes ☐ Never

1.	We use the correct charger for our device.		☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
2.	We charge all our devices on something hard.		☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
3.	We look for warning signs from our devices like heat or a smell.		☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
4.	We unplug when charging is done (at 100%).		☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
5.	We charge e-bikes, e-scooters, and large tools outside.		☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
6.	When on a plane, we charge our devices where we can see them in case there is a problem.		☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1

15–18 points

SUPERCHARGED HERO

You are doing a great job!

10–14 points

POWERING UP

Keep going.
You are close.

6–9 points

LEVEL UP

Pick one habit to practice.

Family Power Mission

What is one charging habit your family will work on?

Superpower Pledge

We make safe choices every time we plug in.

Date _____



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PREVENTION
WEEK™**

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Your Logo



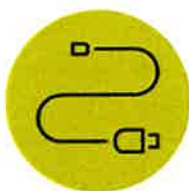
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Safe charging means making smart choices every time you plug in. Everyday charging habits can help prevent lithium-ion battery fires.

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USE YOUR CHARGING SUPERPOWERS



CHEAP CHARGER? DON'T CHANCE IT.

Use the cord and charger that came with your device or one approved by the manufacturer.

Why it matters: Using the wrong charger can damage the battery and increase the chance of fire. Cheap or off-brand chargers may not meet important safety standards.



SOFT SURFACE? HARD PASS.

Charge on a hard, flat surface like a table, desk, or bare floor.

Why it matters: Devices and chargers create heat during normal charging. Soft surfaces like beds, pillows, and couches can trap heat and block airflow, which can cause a battery to overheat.



FEELS HOT? STOP USING IT.

Stop using your device if it feels very hot, starts to swell, smells strange, leaks, smokes, or makes popping or hissing sounds.

Why it matters: A damaged battery can overheat and start a fire.



FULLY CHARGED? TIME TO UNPLUG.

Unplug your device when it is fully charged.

Why it matters: Leaving a device plugged in can increase heat and stress on the battery.



FOR TOOLS AND RIDES, CHARGE OUTSIDE.

Charge large items like e-bikes, scooters, and power tools outside when possible. Do not block exits when charging.

Why it matters: These batteries are larger and store more energy. Fires can grow quickly if the battery fails.



OUT OF SIGHT? NOT IN FLIGHT.

When on a plane, keep devices where you can see them while charging. Do not charge e-cigarettes or vapes on the plane. Tell a flight attendant if you notice a problem with your device, such as if it feels very hot, starts to swell, is smoking, or has a strange smell.

Why it matters: If a battery overheats or fails, it is important for the flight crew to be able to respond quickly.

— Working smoke alarms and a home fire escape plan can help make a life-saving difference. —



BATTERY SAFETY STARTS BEFORE YOU PLUG IN

Buy products listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory, such as UL, ETL, or CSA.* Listed products meet important safety standards.



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