## Avoid fire risks dispose of old appliances safely

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**Proper disposal of lithium batteries is** very important to avoid environmental damage and reduces potential risks.

## Here is an overview of the most important steps:

**Discharging the battery:** Discharge the lithium battery as far as possible before disposal. Use the device containing the battery until it switches off completely or the battery power is significantly reduced.

**Insulating the battery:** Tape the terminals of the battery to prevent short circuits.

This is particularly important if you are disposing of several batteries, if there are already several batteries in the collection container or if it is to be expected that more batteries will be placed in the collection container.

Collection points & return options: Municipalities offer special collection points for old electrical appliances and batteries as well as mobile waste collection centres. Find out more at local waste management companies, electronics shops, DIY stores or recycling centres to find out whether there are collection containers for lithium batteries are available there.

The nearest collection point can be found here:



Electronics shops: Some electronics shops or manufacturers also offer take-back systems. These shops can dispose of the batteries safely or hand them over to specialised recycling service providers.

Recycling centres: In some regions, you can also dispose of lithium batteries at recycling centres.

Contact your local waste disposal authority or waste management facility for more information.

It is important that lithium batteries are not disposed of in normal household waste as they contain potentially hazardous substances. Improper disposal can cause environmental damage and be risky.

> Find out more and scan here



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