Alachua County, Florida

Solid Waste and Resource Recovery

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

DAMAGED LITHIUM BATTERIES CAN BE DANGEROUS!

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WARNING SIGNS OF THERMAL RUNAWAY!

- SWELLING
- OVERHEATING
- LEAKING GAS
- SPARKING

Damaged lithium batteries can enter thermal runaway. Thermal runaway is an uncontrollable, self heating chain reaction where the battery traps more heat than it can release. Temperatures quickly skyrocket which can trigger fires, gas leaks and explosions.

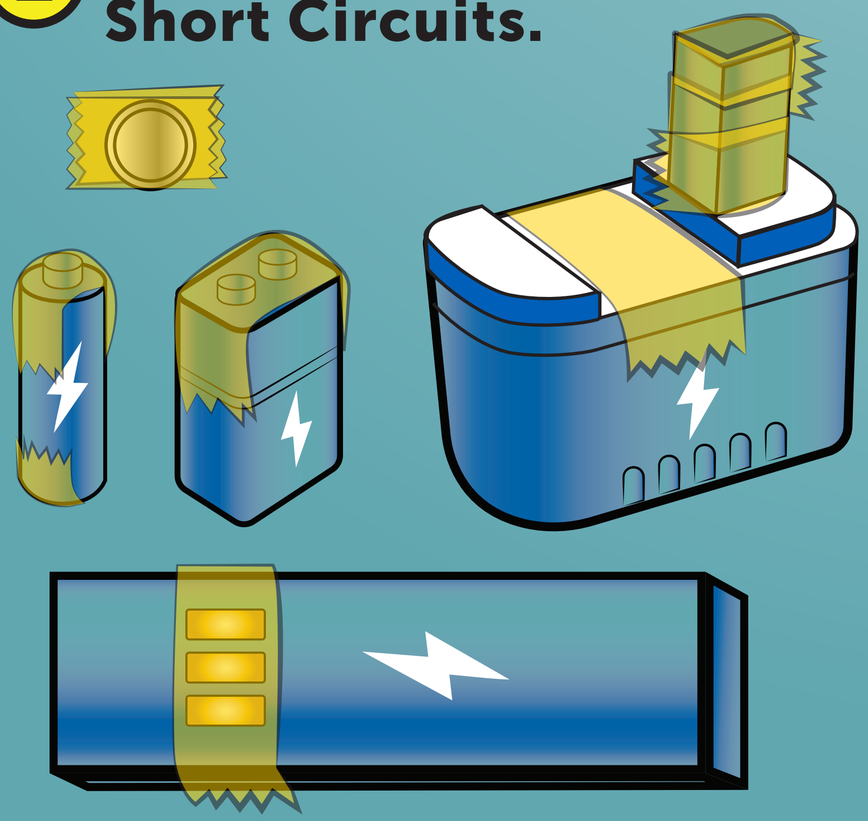
HANDLE WITH CARE!

DAMAGED LITHIUM BATTERIES NEED SPECIAL HANDLING

- **Do not soak in water.**
- **Do not mix with other batteries.**
- **Do not ship or mail them.**
- **Do not puncture or crush them.**

HOW TO SAFELY TRANSPORT Damaged Lithium Batteries

1 Tape Terminals to Prevent Short Circuits.



2 Use a Fire-Resistant Container Labeled:

Damaged Lithium Battery

One Battery Per Container.

3 Add Soil, Dirt, or Clay Kitty Litter.

4 Transport in a Trunk or Truck Bed. Keep Cool & Upright.

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