

SafeTravel

with electronic devices
and batteries

Quick Action Guide

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**YES,
It's Safe**




to bring your laptop computer, cell phone, camera, personal digital assistant (PDA), or other battery-powered device on board a passenger aircraft!

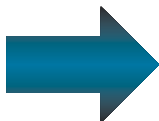
Batteries pose little risk contained in the devices they power. Leave batteries in your equipment – it is the safest place.



Always carry your laptop, cell phone, or other electronic device with you. **Do not check in luggage.**

 Use only chargers designed for your type of batteries. If unsure about compatibility, contact the manufacturer. **Don't mix and match!**

See reverse side for more battery safety tips.



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Spare Battery Safety Tips



Pack spare batteries in **carry-on** baggage, not the baggage you check at the counter.

Keep loose batteries away from metal objects, such as coins, keys, or jewelry.

Keep spare batteries in the store packaging they came in.

If you do not have the store packaging, tape across the battery's metal parts (terminals), or place each battery in its own protective case, plastic bag, or package.



Prevent crushing, puncturing, or putting a high degree of pressure on the battery.

Always Remember...

Don't carry damaged or recalled batteries or equipment on aircraft.

Check battery recall information at the manufacturer's website, or at the Consumer Product Safety Commission (www.cpsc.gov.)

Avoid dropping laptop computers or other devices.

Purchase batteries from reliable sources.

Avoid packing battery-powered equipment in checked baggage.

If you must carry a battery-powered device in any baggage, package it to prevent inadvertent activation. For instance, you should pack a cordless power tool in a protective case, with a trigger lock engaged.

