

University Ban on Lithium-Ion Batteries

All lithium-ion-powered bikes, e-scooters, e-skateboards, hoverboards and other electric transportation devices are banned from all University campuses, including residence halls, courtyards, and parking lots. They may not be carried, used, stored, charged or otherwise possessed on any University campus. Storage, charging and possession of lithium-ion batteries are also prohibited. These devices and batteries present a serious hazard and may explode, causing injuries and starting fires. These fires cannot be extinguished like traditional fires and create toxic gasses that can be deadly in enclosed spaces. Fire extinguishers do not work on lithium-ion batteries.

Exceptions to this policy are available for electric mobility aids for individuals with disabilities and for authorized research activities. Please contact the Security Department for more information.

This policy applies to all University faculty, staff, students, visitors and guests. Anyone violating this policy will be required to remove the device/battery in question immediately, and will be considered to be in violation of University policy and subject to applicable disciplinary procedures (including removal from University housing if applicable). If any such device/battery is discovered, it may be removed and discarded without notice or reimbursement.