BEST PRACTICES – DEAD BATTERY STORAGE

Lithium batteries are dangerous and deadly if not disposed of properly.

- To store dead lithium batteries, **store them in a non-metal container in a cool, dry place** until you can properly dispose of them.

- Never put loose batteries in a drawer or area where they may come into contact with common metal items such as paper clips or staples.

- Battery terminals (ends) rubbing against one another can cause a spark, and it is recommended to either:
  - Tape the terminals of used batteries with electrical tape;
  - OR place each battery in separate plastic bags.

Consumers can use the following resources for disposal practices:
- [call2recycle.org](http://call2recycle.org) offers guidance on how and where to recycle products
- [search.earth911.com](http://search.earth911.com) offers shipping options and community locations
- Contact your local government or hardware store(s) for best local options