

Maui Wildfire Recovery

Safely Removing Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Batteries

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Maui gives so much to the world. As guests we are honored to give our support back.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency tasked EPA to remove lithium-ion batteries from electric and hybrid vehicles affected by the Maui wildfires. The process includes:











locating,

recovering,

de-energizing,

transporting,

& disposing of batteries.

The batteries should be considered extremely dangerous, even if they look intact. Disturbing lithium-ion batteries can cause:



electric shock



uncontrollable overheating



release of toxic and/or explosive gasses

fire



DO NOT:



attempt to start, repair, charge, or sit in electric and hybrid vehicles

remove vehicle batteries



To watch a video of EPA's electric and hybrid vehicle battery removal process, use QR code or go to link:

https://youtu.be/BbJHNYIfhU4

If you have an electric or hybrid vehicle in the burn zone, please call the EPA hotline at: 808-539-0555 or the County of Maui's Abandoned Vehicle and Metals Office at: 808-270-6102.

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