

Safety Precautions

1. When Using the Battery

DANGER

- (1) Misusing the battery may cause the battery to get hot, explode, or ignite and cause serious injury. Be sure to follow the safety rules listed below:
 - Do not place the battery in fire or heat the battery.
 - Do not install the battery backwards so that the polarity is reversed.
 - Do not connect the positive terminal and the negative terminal of the battery to each other with any metal object (such as wire).
 - Do not carry or store the batteries together with necklaces, hairpins, or other metal objects.
 - Do not penetrate the battery with nails, strike the battery with a hammer, step on the battery, or otherwise subject it to strong impacts or shocks.
 - Do not solder directly onto the battery.
 - Do not expose the battery to water or salt water, or allow the battery to get wet.
- (2) Do not disassemble or modify the battery. The battery contains safety and protection devices which, if damaged, may cause the battery to generate heat, explode or ignite.
- (3) Do not place the battery on or near fires, stoves, or other high-temperature locations. Do not place the battery in direct sunshine, or use or store the battery inside cars in hot weather. Doing so may cause the battery to generate heat, explode, or ignite. Using the battery in this manner may also result in a loss of performance and a shortened life expectancy.
- (4) Do not insert the battery into equipment designed to be hermetically sealed. In some cases hydrogen or oxygen may be discharged from the cell which may result in rupture, fire or explosion.

WARNING

- (1) Immediately discontinue use of the battery if, while using, charging, or storing the battery, the battery emits an unusual smell, feels hot, changes color, changes shape, or appears abnormal in any other way. Contact your sales location or Panasonic if any of these problems are observed.
- (2) Do not place the batteries in microwave ovens, high-pressure containers, or on induction cookware.
- (3) In the event that the battery leaks and the fluid gets into one's eye, do not rub the eye. Rinse well with water and immediately seek medical care. If left untreated the battery fluid could cause damage to the eye.

CAUTION

- (1) If the device is to be used by small children, the caregiver should explain the contents of the user's manual to the children. The caregiver should provide adequate supervision to insure that the device is being used as explained in the user's manual.
- (2) When the battery is worn out, insulate the terminals with adhesive tape or similar materials before disposal.

 **DANGER**

Be sure to follow the rules listed below while charging the battery. Failure to do so may cause the battery to become hot, explode, or ignite and cause serious injury.

- When charging the battery, either use a specified battery charger or otherwise insure that the battery charging conditions specified by Panasonic are met.
- Do not attach the batteries to a power supply plug or directly to a car's cigarette lighter.
- Do not place the batteries in or near fire, or into direct sunlight. When the battery becomes hot, the built-in safety equipment is activated, preventing the battery from charging further, and heating the battery can destroy the safety equipment and can cause additional heating, breaking, or ignition of the battery.

 **WARNING**

Do not continue charging the battery if it does not recharge within the specified charging time. Doing so may cause the battery to become hot, explode, or ignite.

2. While Charging

 **CAUTION**

The temperature range over which the battery can be charged is 10°C to 45°C. Charging the battery at temperatures outside of this range may cause the battery to become hot or to break. Charging the battery outside of this temperature range may also harm the performance of the battery or reduce the battery's life expectancy.

3. When Discharging the Battery

 **DANGER**

Do not discharge the battery using any device except for the specified device. When the battery is used in devices aside from the specified device it may damage the performance of the battery or reduce its life expectancy, and if the device causes an abnormal current to flow, it may cause the battery to become hot, explode, or ignite and cause serious injury.

 **CAUTION**

The temperature range over which the battery can be discharged is -10°C to 60°C. Use of the battery outside of this temperature range may damage the performance of the battery or may reduce its life expectancy.

To insure the safe use of this battery, contact Panasonic when designing a device that uses this battery.