

SAFETY FIRST: YOUR GUIDE TO BUYING ELECTRONICS

A GUIDE FROM ESFI



Know Where to Buy



Buy electronics **from reputable retailers**, in-store or online, that **stand behind their products** and **can provide help** if something goes wrong.

Safety Certifications Matter

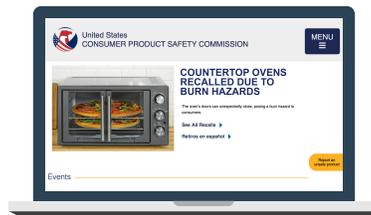


Certifications from testing labs like **CSA** and **UL** mean the product has been **tested to be safe**. CE marks are not third-party safety certifications.

Register Your Products



Register your **electronics** with the manufacturer to be kept up to date on any **issues** or **safety recalls** to the product.



Check for Recalls

Check the **U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's website** (CPSC.gov) to see if the products you are interested in purchasing, or that you own, have been **recalled for safety issues**.

Purchase the Right Accessories



Make sure all spare parts and accessories are either **from or approved by the main device's manufacturer** and are **certified by a testing lab** when possible.

Know How to Use and Charge Safely



Always **charge or power devices on a flat, dry surface**. Keep electronics away from **water and direct sunlight**.

Be Aware of Battery Problems

Signs of a **battery problem** are:

-  **1** Changes in battery **color**
-  **2** Sweet electrical burning smell from the battery
-  **3** **BZZZ** Noises or **leaking** from the battery
-  **4** Change in the battery or device **shape**
-  **5** **Smoke** coming from the battery