

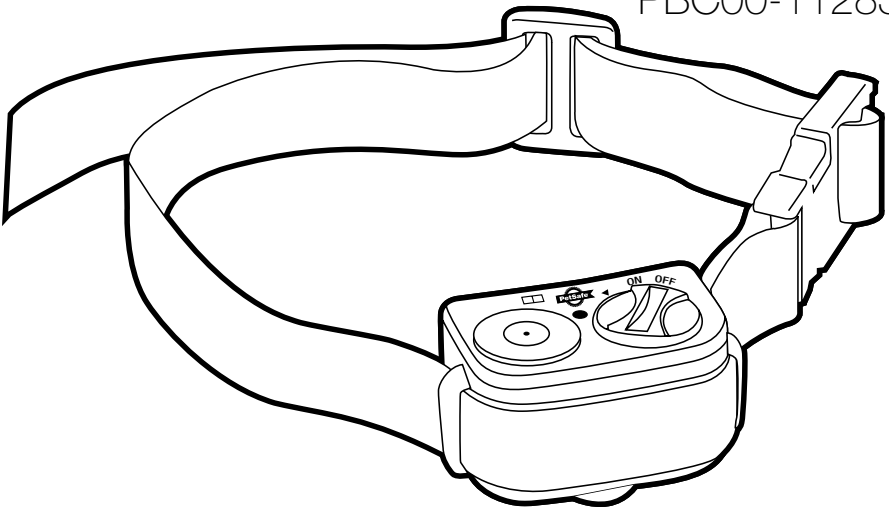


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# Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control

operating guide

Model Number  
PBC00-11283



PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE GUIDE BEFORE BEGINNING

# Important Safety Information

## Explanation of Attention Words and Symbols used in this guide



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.

### **⚠️ WARNING**

WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

### **⚠️ CAUTION**

CAUTION, used with the safety alert symbol, indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

### **CAUTION**

CAUTION, used without the safety alert symbol, indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in harm to your pet.

### **⚠️ WARNING**

**Risk of explosion.** Do not short circuit, mix old and new batteries, dispose of in fire, or expose to water. When batteries are stored or disposed, they must be protected from shorting. Dispose of used batteries properly.

### **⚠️ WARNING**

**Not for use with aggressive dogs.** Do not use this Product if your dog is aggressive, or if your dog is prone to aggressive behavior. Aggressive dogs can cause severe injury and even death to their owner and others. If you are unsure whether this product is appropriate for your dog, please consult your veterinarian or certified trainer.

### **⚠️ WARNING**

Do not expose the device to freezing temperatures -32°F or 0°C or to conditions warmer than 113°F or 45°C. Do not leave the unit in direct sunlight. Never leave the unit in a car where the device can heat up to high temperatures 113°F or 45°C.

### **AEROSOLS:**

- : Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
- : In case of inadequate ventilation, wear respiratory protection.
- : If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
- : Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.
- : Keep out of reach of children.
- : **FIRST AID TREATMENT:** If inhaled, get medical attention if you feel unwell. After skin contact, rinse affected area with soap and water. After eye contact, rinse/flush eyes gently using water for 15-20 minutes.
- : The PetSafe® Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control is not a toy. Keep it away from the reach of children. Use it only for its bark stopping purpose.

**CAUTION**

**Risk of skin damage.** Please read and follow the instructions in this manual.

Proper fit of the collar is important. A collar worn for too long or made too tight on the pet's neck may cause skin damage. Ranging from redness to pressure ulcers; this condition is commonly known as bed sores.

- : Avoid leaving the collar on the dog for more than 12 hours per day.
- : When possible reposition the collar on the pet's neck every 1 to 2 hours.
- : Check the fit to prevent excessive pressure; follow the instructions in this manual.
- : Never connect a lead to the electronic collar.
- : When using a separate collar for a lead, don't put pressure on the electronic collar.
- : Wash the dog's neck area weekly with a damp cloth.
- : Examine the neck area daily for signs of a rash or a sore.
- : If a rash or sore is found, discontinue use of the collar until the skin has healed.
- : If the condition persists beyond 48 hours, see your veterinarian.
- : For additional information on bed sores and pressure necrosis, please visit our website.

These steps will help keep your pet safe and comfortable. You may find after some time that your pet is very tolerant of the collar. If so, you may relax some of these precautions. It is important to continue daily checks of the neck area. If redness or sores are found, discontinue use until the skin has fully healed.

The PetSafe® Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control must be used only on healthy dogs. We recommend that you take your dog to a veterinarian before using the collar if he is not in good health.

Thank you for choosing the PetSafe® brand. You and your pet deserve a companionship that includes memorable moments and a shared understanding together. Our products and training tools promote a lifestyle of protection, teaching, and love—essentials that influence memories for a lifetime. If you have any questions about our products or training your pet, please visit our website at [www.petsafe.net](http://www.petsafe.net) or contact our Customer Care Center at 1-800-732-2677.

To get the most protection out of your warranty, please register your product within 30 days at [www.petsafe.net](http://www.petsafe.net). By registering and keeping your receipt, you will enjoy the product's full warranty and should you ever need to call the Customer Care Center, we will be able to help you faster. Most importantly, PetSafe® will never give or sell your valuable information to anyone. Complete warranty information is available online at [www.petsafe.net](http://www.petsafe.net).

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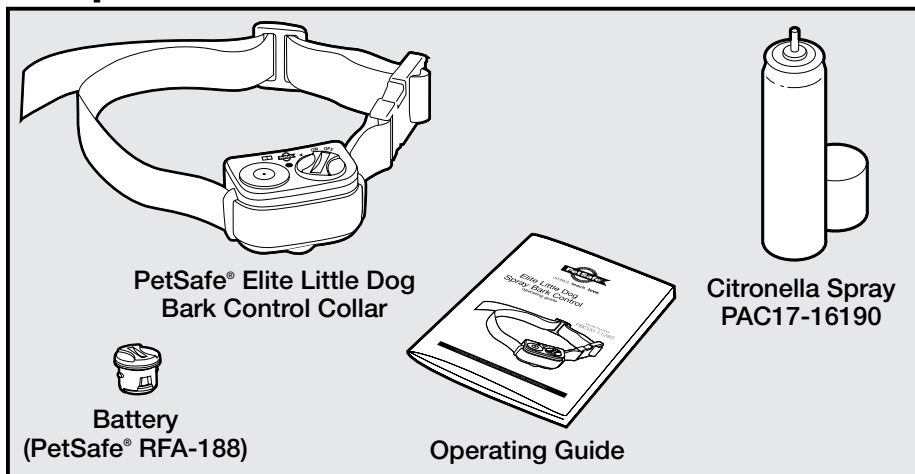
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“In a Tuskegee University study of adult shelter dogs wearing the PetSafe® Spray Bark Control Collar for six 30-minute sessions over two weeks, we detected no long-term adverse effects, and all dogs dramatically reduced their barking by the second day.”

Dr. Janet Steiss and Dr. Caroline B. Schaffer  
Tuskegee University

## Components



## Features

- : Patented Perfect Bark™ technology ensures your dog's bark is the only sound that will cause the correction Custom designed for small dogs up to 55 pounds
- : Adjustable nylon collar for neck sizes up to 20"
- : Waterproof
- : Good/Low battery indicator
- : 30-40 sprays per refill with low spray indicator

## How the PetSafe® Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control Works

The PetSafe® Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control Collar effectively deters barking when it is worn. The Spray Bark Control Collar has a unique patented sensor that provides the most reliable bark detection available. The Spray Bark Control Collar uses both vibration and sound sensors (patented Dual Detection) to discriminate each bark from other external noises. A burst of spray is emitted to deter barking only if both the vibration from vocal chords and the sound from the bark match the same criteria.

# Key Definitions

**Spray Nozzle:** Where the spray ejects when your dog's bark is detected.

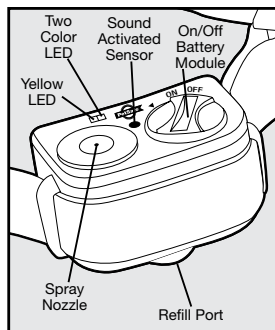
**Sound Activated Sensor:** Detects the sound of your dog's bark.

**Refill Port:** Where the spray is refilled.

**Yellow LED:** Low spray indicator

**Two Color LED:** Shows good or low battery

**On/Off Button:** Turns the collar on and off, and resets the spray counter.

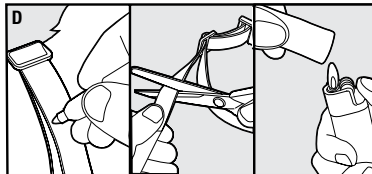
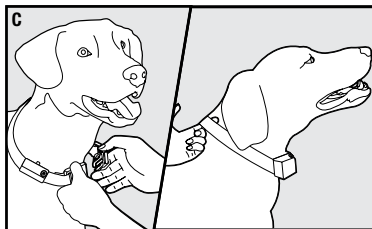
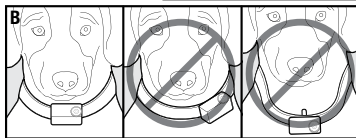
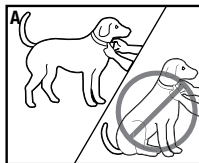


## Fit the Bark Control Collar

**Important: The proper fit and placement of your Bark Control Collar is important for effective operation.**

To assure a proper fit, please follow these steps:

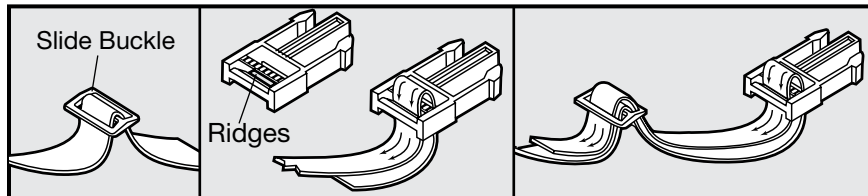
1. Make sure that the Spray Bark Control Collar is turned off.
2. Start with your dog standing comfortably (A).
3. Place the Spray Bark Control Collar on your dog's neck close to the ears. Center the unit underneath your dog's neck with the spray nozzle facing upward (B).
4. Check the tightness of the Bark Control Collar by inserting one finger between the collar and the back of the dog's neck (C). The fit should be snug but not constricting.
5. Allow your dog to wear the collar for several minutes, then recheck the fit. Check the fit again as your dog becomes more comfortable with the Bark Control Collar.
6. Trim the collar as follows: (D)
  - a. Mark the desired length of the collar with a pen. Allow for growth if your dog is young or grows a thick winter coat.
  - b. Remove the Bark Control Collar from your dog and cut off excess.
  - c. Before placing the Bark Control Collar back onto your dog, seal the edge of the cut collar by applying a flame along the frayed edge.
7. The PetSafe® QuickFit™ collar is designed so you can quickly attach and remove the Bark Control Collar from your dog while maintaining the desired fit. Once the fit is determined, simply use the Snap Buckle to remove and replace the collar.



### CAUTION

The Bark Control Collar should not be worn for more than 12 hours out of every 24-hour period. Leaving the collar on too long could lead to skin irritation. Please refer to page 2 for additional information.

## To Re-Thread the Collar



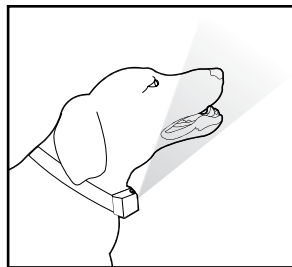
: The slide buckle prevents the collar from becoming loose around your pet's neck.

: The ridges must be facing up; the collar will slip if it is not properly threaded.

## Ensure a Proper Spray Pattern

For the PetSafe® Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control to perform properly, the nozzle must be positioned correctly and there must be a clear path from the Spray Nozzle to your dog's snout. Follow these steps:

1. Make sure the PetSafe® logo on the front of the unit is upright and the Spray Nozzle is angled out and pointing up towards the dog's snout.
2. For long-haired dogs, it may be necessary to trim the neck hairs along the path of the spray. It is important that the spray reaches the dog's snout to be effective.



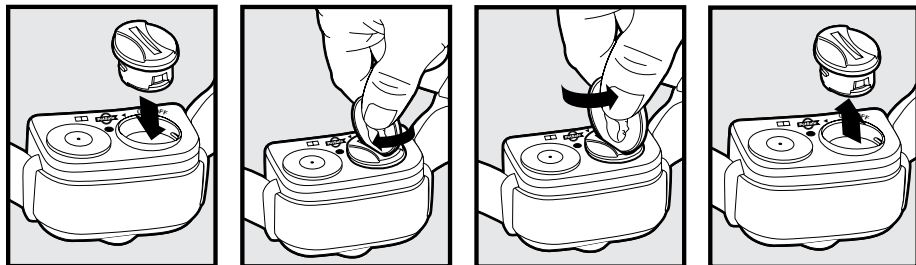
**CAUTION** Do not shave the pet's neck as this may increase the risk of skin irritation.

## On/Off Battery Module

The PetSafe® Little Dog Bark Control Collar is packaged with the battery module installed in the "OFF" position. To activate the collar, use a coin to turn the Battery Module counter clockwise until the arrow lines up with the "ON" position. If the PetSafe® Little Dog Bark Control Collar is not going to be used on the dog immediately leave it in the "OFF" position.

## To Insert and Remove the Battery

*Note: Do not install the battery while the Bark Control Collar is on your dog.*



A replacement PetSafe® battery (RFA-188) can be found at many retailers. Contact the Customer Care Center or visit our web site at [www.petsafe.net](http://www.petsafe.net) to locate a retailer near you.

## Battery Life

Average battery life is 2 to 4 months, depending on how often your dog barks. However, due to greater use during your dog's training, your first battery may not last as long as replacement batteries.

### **⚠ WARNING**

Do not attempt to cut into or pry open the battery. Be sure to discard the used battery properly.

## Function and Response Table

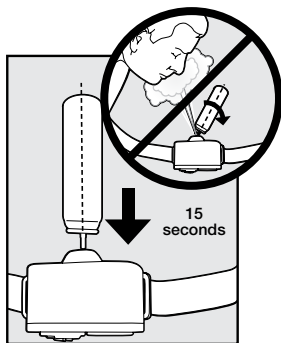
Function	LED Light Response
Unit is on	Green LED Light flashes once every 5 seconds
Low battery condition	Red LED Light flashes 3 times every 5 seconds
Low spray warning	Yellow LED Light appears

## To Fill and Refill the Spray

- : Remove the collar from your dog.
- : Turn the unit off.
- : Ensure the refill port is clean. *Note: If any dirt or debris enters the refill port when refilling, it could cause the unit to become clogged and malfunction. Please read the "Tips and Maintenance" section for proper care.*
- : Hold the spray can upright and firmly press the nozzle down into the Refill Port. Hold for 15 seconds and remove. *Note: If spray leaks out, you may need to press harder to complete the seal.*
- : Turn the unit on.
- : For optimal performance the spray bark collar should be refilled before each use.

**Important: The Spray Counter should be reset after each refill. To reset the Spray Counter, complete the following sequence:**

1. Turn the unit on. The LED will turn solid green for 1 second, then solid yellow for 2 seconds.
2. As soon as the LED is yellow turn the unit off (this can be done by using a coin to turn the battery module to the "OFF" position.)
3. Wait 2 seconds with the unit turned off.
4. Turn the unit on (this can be done by using a coin to turn the battery module to the "ON" position.)
5. The LED will flash yellow 5 times to indicate that the Spray Counter has been reset to and the unit is starting normal operation. The unit is now ready to be placed on the pet.



### **CAUTION**

Do not puncture or incinerate the spray collar or the refill canister. Do not expose to extreme heat or store at temperatures above 113°F.

Refill canisters are available in citronella or unscented spray. Contact the Customer Care Center or visit our web site at [www.petsafe.net](http://www.petsafe.net) to locate a retailer near you.



# What to Expect During Use of the Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control

**Important: Do not leave your dog alone the first few times he wears the Bark Control Collar.**

Place the Bark Control Collar properly on your dog and wait nearby until he barks. Most dogs will understand very quickly that the Bark Control Collar is disrupting their urge to bark and will relax and stop barking. Because the burst of spray from the Bark Control Collar may be surprising or startling at first, some dogs may bark more at the initial correction.

On rare occasions, a dog may get into a bark-spray-bark-spray cycle. If this happens, reassure your dog with calm, soothing tones. As your dog relaxes, he will understand that if he becomes quiet, he will not receive any more spray bursts. The small minority of dogs that have this reaction should only have it the first time they wear the Bark Control Collar.

You should notice a reduction in your dog's barking within the first couple of days that he wears the Bark Control Collar. At this point, it is important to remember the learning process is still not complete. Dogs will "test" this new learning experience and will increase their attempts to bark. This usually occurs during the second week a dog wears the Bark Control Collar. If this does occur, remain consistent and do not alter your use of the Bark Control Collar. You must place the Bark Control Collar on your dog in every situation when you expect him to be quiet. If your dog is not wearing the Bark Control Collar, he may resume barking and his learning would suffer a setback.

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## Tips and Maintenance

- : Before playing with your dog, turn the unit off and remove the Bark Control Collar. The activity may cause your dog to bark, which could lead to him associating the play with the burst of spray.
- : The collar must be filled to maximum capacity before placing it around your dog's neck.
- : Never fill the device while your dog is wearing it because it may damage the Refill Port.
- : To ensure that your dog does not make the connection between you and the spray collar, don't let him see you prepare the device for the first try, or for subsequent use. Keep your dog away while you prepare the device as well as when you fill it or change the battery.
- : It is important that your dog's hair doesn't block the Spray Nozzle. Try tying a bandanna (handkerchief) around your dog's neck, then place the spray collar over it. If necessary, you may also consider trimming a little of the long hair around the dog's neck for better spray effect.
- : Remove all other collars with metallic parts or tags. These could create noise that may needlessly activate the spraying device.
- : Avoid letting your dog wear the device with an empty reservoir. Make sure it is always full.
- : Turn OFF the device while not in use.
- : The PetSafe® Elite Little Dog Spray Bark Control should only be used with pets that are over 6 months of age.
- : If your pet is injured or its mobility is otherwise impaired, contact your veterinarian or professional trainer before use.
- : Do not leave your device unattended where your dog could accidentally damage it through chewing.
- : Never fill the Spray Bark Control Collar with any substance other than the one provided by the manufacturer. Using another substance, as well as opening the device, will void the manufacturer's warranty.
- : Do not attempt to repair the device yourself. This will invalidate the warranty and make repairs more difficult.

- : The spray from the Bark Control Collar may stick to the hair under your dog's snout. Clean your dog's hair weekly with a washcloth and a mild hand soap. Rinse and dry your dog's neck thoroughly.
- : If the spray accumulates on the Bark Control Collar, wipe the receiver clean with a damp cloth and dry thoroughly.

## Frequently Asked Questions

<b>Will another dog's bark set off the Bark Control Collar?</b>	: No.
<b>Will the Bark Control Collar work for my dog?</b>	: The Bark Control Collar is safe and effective for all breeds and sizes of dogs, however, it is recommended for little dogs.
<b>Will this work with long-haired dogs?</b>	: Yes. It may be necessary to trim the hair on your dog's neck so it does not block the spray from reaching his snout.
<b>Does the spray need to hit my dog's nose?</b>	: No. The spray is very fine and simply creates a mist in the region of the snout.

## Troubleshooting

<b>The Bark Control Collar does not spray.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>: Ensure that the battery is properly installed.</li> <li>: Replace the battery.</li> <li>: Ensure the unit is on.</li> <li>: Refill the spray.</li> <li>: If the Bark Control Collar still does not spray, contact the Customer Care Center.</li> </ul>
<b>My Bark Control Collar sprays, but my dog keeps barking (does not respond to the burst of spray).</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>: Tighten the Bark Control Collar.</li> <li>: Check to make sure the Spray Nozzle points towards the dog's snout.</li> <li>: Make sure your dog's hair does not block the spray. If so, trim the hair so the spray can reach the snout area.</li> <li>: If your dog still does not respond, contact the Customer Care Center.</li> </ul>
<b>When I try to refill the spray, the spray leaks out around the Spray Nozzle.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>: Hold the spray can upright. If it is held at an angle, it will not create a good seal.</li> <li>: Press firmly on the spray can to create a good seal.</li> <li>: If the spray still continues to leak, contact the Customer Care Center.</li> </ul>

# Customer Care International

USA & Canada - Tel: 800-732-2677

Monday - Friday 8 AM - 8 PM / Saturday 9 AM - 5 PM

Australia - Tel: 1800 786 608

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 5 PM

New Zealand - Tel: 0800 543 054

Monday - Friday 10:30 AM - 7 PM

This product has the benefit of a limited manufacturer's warranty. Details of the warranty applicable to this product and its terms can be found at [www.petsafe.net](http://www.petsafe.net) and/or are available by sending a stamped addressed envelope to PetSafe® Ltd. Redthorn House, Unit 9, Chorley West Business Park, Ackhurst Road, Chorley, Lancashire PR7 1NL, United Kingdom.

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## Terms of Use and Limitation of Liability

### 1. Terms of Use

This Product is offered to you conditioned upon your acceptance without modification of the terms, conditions and notices contained herein. Usage of this Product implies acceptance of all such terms, conditions, and notices.

### 2. Proper Use

This Product is designed for use with pets where training is desired. The specific temperament of your pet may not work with this Product. We recommend that you not use this Product if your pet is aggressive. If you are unsure whether this is appropriate for your pet please consult your veterinarian or certified trainer.

Proper use includes reviewing the entire Guide provided with your Product and any specific Caution statements.

### 3. No Unlawful or Prohibited Use

This Product is designed for use with pets only. This pet training device is not intended to harm, injure or provoke. Using this Product in a way that is not intended could result in violation of Federal, State or local laws.

### 4. Limitation of Liability

In no event shall Radio Systems® Corporation be liable for any direct, indirect, punitive, incidental, special or consequential damages, or any damages whatsoever arising out of or connected with the use or misuse of this Product. Buyer assumes all risks and liability from the use of this Product.

### 5. Modification of Terms and Conditions

Radio Systems® Corporation reserves the right to change the terms, conditions and notices under which this Product is offered.



## Battery Disposal

Separate collection of spent batteries is required in many regions; check the regulations in your area before discarding spent batteries. At the end of the product life, please contact our Customer Care Center to receive instructions on proper disposal of the unit. Please do not dispose of the unit in household or municipal waste. For a listing of Customer Care Center telephone numbers in your area, visit our website at [www.petsafe.net](http://www.petsafe.net).

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## FCC

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

**CAUTION: Modification or changes to this equipment not expressly approved by Radio Systems® Corporation may void the user's authority to operate the equipment.**

**NOTE:** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a specific installation. If interference does occur to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- : Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
  - : Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
  - : Connect the equipment to an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
  - : Consult Customer Care, the dealer, or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.
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## Perchlorate Battery

Perchlorate Material – special handling may apply.  
See [www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate).

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