

Important Safety Warning!

Read before purchasing or using Mighty Hoops (Magnetic Hoops)

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Please use caution and common sense, and please read and understand our safety warnings below! It is the responsibility of the purchaser or owner to make sure all users of this product are made aware of the information in this letter. If the product is ever sold, transferred or given to a new owner, this warning letter should be provided to the new owner.

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Pacemakers or other medical devices and mechanical implants

Individuals with health issues which require that they wear electronics of any sort like pacemakers, defibrillators or other internal and external medical devices should use caution when handling strong magnets, such as the type included in the Mighty Hoops. Pacemakers may be damaged or switch to "Test Mode" in the presence of a strong magnetic force, if a pacemaker or other medical device is in use, magnetic fields may affect the operation of these devices. If any user has any type of electronic, mechanical, implanted or external medical device, consult their physician and the manufacturer of their medical device to determine its susceptibility to static magnetic fields prior to allowing them to handle the magnetic hoops. All magnetic products should be kept at a safe distance from individuals with these devices. The maximum magnetic field strength at the surface of the hoops is approximately 0.4 tesla or 4000 gauss. At 1 inch away this decreases to under 0.01 tesla or 100 gauss and at 2 inches it is under about 25 gauss. These are only approximate numbers and can vary from hoop to hoop, but should give you some estimates on field strength to discuss with a physician.

Damage to magnetic media, electronics, and mechanical devices

The strong magnetic fields of neodymium magnets that are a part of this product can damage magnetic media such as **floppy disks**, hard drives, **credit cards**, magnetic I.D. cards, cassette tapes, video tapes or other such devices. They can also damage televisions, computers, cell phones, VCRs, computer monitors and other CRT displays. Never place neodymium magnets near electronic appliances, mechanical watches, hearing aids, or loud speakers. Keep away from any mechanical device that could be affected by a magnetic field.

Certain electronic devices are sensitive to magnetic fields and may be damaged permanently or temporarily disabled if exposed to a magnetic field that is too strong. Video screens and televisions will become distorted and/or discoloured if exposed to a strong magnetic field. While damaged screens can usually be demagnetized, it's often tricky and may require qualified service technicians to do so. Other electronic devices like cell phones and pagers can also be damaged. Store your magnetic hoops in a safe place away from electronics of any kind.

Keep all magnetic hoops at least 24 inches away from all types of magnetic media.

CHILDREN

Children should not be allowed to handle the magnetic hoops or the neodymium magnets that are a part of the product as they can be dangerous. Children and adults should not ingest magnets or place magnets in any

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body orifice such the ear, nose or mouth. Ingestion of magnets is very hazardous. If magnets are ingested or aspirated to the lungs, immediate medical attention is required.

Pinch and Eye Hazard

The magnetic hoops and magnets included in this product can pose a serious pinch hazard due to their attractive force on each other and to any object containing iron. Usually surprise is an issue--they can jump out of your hands and snap together from a surprising distance before you realize what is happening. Fingers and other body parts can get severely pinched between two attracting hoops or items. Keep items like scissors, pins, and any other items that contain metal out of your work area.

Transportation

Transportation of magnetic materials by air in the United States is regulated by the U.S. Department of Transportation and is covered under the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 49 parts 100-185. We make sure our products follow the packaging guidelines for magnetized material when shipping by air transportation. If you need to ship a magnetic hoop, please contact us to make sure the product can be shipped by air, in most cases this is not a problem at all.

Magnetized material is not regulated as a hazardous material when transported via ground/surface transportation.

Disposal

The rare-earth magnets in this product should never be burned, as burning will create toxic fumes. Rare-earth magnets should be disposed of in compliance with local, state, and Federal law. All strong permanent magnets should be thermally demagnetized prior to disposal. Alternatively, all strong permanent magnets should be placed in a steel container prior to disposal so the magnets do not attract waste disposal equipment or refuse containers.