

HTC Hero Battery Management Tips

Power management is essential on this device. There is nothing wrong with the battery as it is a high capacity 1500maH battery - as big as they come.

It is true that this device will need to be charged nightly, as **this device *invites* power users because of its multi-tasking capabilities.**

Here are a few tips:

- **Manage open programs** – download an app called ‘Task Panel’. It’s a FREE program that can automatically close (or kill) programs that are open and inactive when the screen goes on standby mode. This will help unnecessary or unused apps from monitoring/polling the network and using battery life.
- **Streaming audio/video** from popular apps like Slacker, Pandora, YouTube, and RSS will also utilize battery life. If they use these apps regularly, they will need an extra battery or a charger available to them.
- **Do not enable your screen to stay ‘on’** at all times – make sure they are making use of the settings to timeout the display after 30 seconds or a minute of inactivity.
- **Wi-Fi can be a battery’s worst enemy** – Customers should manage this carefully. For preserving maximum battery power, the device should be connected to **either** Wi-Fi or the Cellcom Mobile Network, but not both at the same time. Wi-Fi will drain a battery quickly, otherwise. Additionally, the user can set the device to lock on to a particular Wi-Fi, or, scan for available networks. The device can be set **not to scan** for available networks under settings > Wi-Fi Settings > Network notification (uncheck).