Loose Balloons Can Spoil the Party for Others.

Mylar balloons can explode and catch fire when coming in contact with power lines, creating a dangerous and disruptive situation. Please consider skipping mylar balloons when shopping for event decorations to avoid the possibility of outages, injuries, road closures, property damage, and more.

WHEN HANDLING MYLAR BALLOONS, CONSIDER THESE SAFETY TIPS:

Make sure helium-filled Mylar balloons are securely tied to a heavy weight to prevent them from floating away.

Do not bundle Mylar balloons together.

Never attempt to retrieve anything that becomes caught in a power line.

Avoid a power line that has fallen to the ground or is dangling in the air. Always assume downed electric lines are energized and extremely dangerous. Keep far away and immediately alert 911.

Visit **cityofpaloalto.org/safeutility** to learn how to contact us in the event of an emergency, stay prepared before a hazard strikes, and access free helpful resources for safety and emergency preparedness.

In the event of a power outage, check **cityofpaloalto.org/outages** for immediate updates.





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