

### These instructions must be followed exactly.

These instructions are for dry cell batteries only (lithium batteries may not be co-mingled with dry cell batteries unless shipping under a DOT Special Permit). If you are unsure of the type of batteries that you have, please contact Battery Solutions for assistance.

### Getting Started

Under the Universal Waste Law, you must contact Battery Solutions before sending a shipment of universal waste batteries to us, at which point we will assign a recycling authorization tracking number to the shipment.

#### When calling please inform us:

- Of your specific pick-up hours.
- If you do or do not have a loading dock or lift truck to load the batteries for shipment.
- If you do not have an asphalt or concrete loading area.

**If batteries are damaged or leaking, or if you are unsure if batteries are damaged, please call Battery Solutions for instructions.**

### Collection

Collection containers should be labeled while they are stored. The accumulation start date needs to be filled in with the date batteries are first placed in the container.

While accumulating batteries, keep in mind that a 55-gallon drum of dry cell batteries will be heavy, when full. If you do not have the proper equipment to handle full drums, place the drums on a sturdy pallet prior to starting accumulation so that they can be easily moved to the truck at the time of shipment.

### Pallet Limitations

- Only use heavy-duty pallets with 2" x 4" supports.
- Pallet Size should not exceed 40" x 48".
- Pallet weight should not exceed 2800 lbs.
- Pallet heights should not exceed 48" tall.
- The whole pallet, with layers, should never be taller than it is wide.

### Packaging Pallet to Ship

- The U.S. DOT requires completely protecting the metal terminals on all lithium-based cells, lead-based cells, and batteries over 9 volts before placing them in the shipping container. To do this, use a clear plastic tape thick and strong enough to ensure terminal protection, like packing tape or scotch tape.
- All dry cell batteries must be placed in a proper shipping container. **The container must be properly secured to a shipping pallet**, free of non-compliant material. Drums shipped loose in a truck may result in additional charges.
- Drums with proper locking lids and approved labeling can be purchased from Battery Solutions. Make sure the lids on all drums are securely locked prior to shipping.
- Always use a heavy-duty pallet with 2" x 4" supports.
- Shrink wrap the drums **heavily** to properly secure them to the pallet. Make sure the shrink wrap is all the way down around the pallet itself.

### Labeling

- Each container must be individually labeled with a label that reads, "Batteries, Dry, Sealed, N.O.S.". We will supply you with these labels, if needed. Reminder, Do NOT co-mingle lithium batteries with other dry cell battery types in large volume collection containers.
- Each container must have the "ship to" address provided by Battery Solutions clearly on it.



The party shipping or transporting batteries (the "Shipper") to Battery Solutions, LLC. ("BSL") must properly secure the batteries to pallets prior to loading onto the truck. Packaging and labeling must be in compliance with the U.S. Department of Transportation – Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

**Attention Battery Solutions, LLC. Customers - Notice to Comply:**  
**As the shipper of record you must fully comply with all U.S. Department of Transportation regulations.**