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Are secondary lithium battery packs safe



Overview

The Underwriters Laboratories (UL) standard 62133-4 is a widely recognized benchmark for evaluating the safety of secondary lithium batteries used in various applications. Are lithium ion batteries safe?

The safety of lithium ion batteries is becoming more important as their use spreads initially from consumer applications to electric and hybrid vehicles, stationary uses, portable electronics, aircraft, and toys. The hazards can be dangerous to people and property and range from simple venting of hot corrosive gases to explosions.

Can lithium batteries prevent fires and accidents?

Lithium battery fires and accidents are on the rise and present risks that can be mitigated if the technology is well understood. This paper provides information to help prevent fire, injury and loss of intellectual and other property. Lithium batteries have higher energy densities than legacy batteries (up to 100 times higher).

What is a lithium ion & lithium polymer (LiPo) safety guideline?

The intent of this guideline is to provide users of lithium-ion (Li-ion) and lithium polymer (LiPo) cells and battery packs with enough information to safely handle them under normal and emergency conditions.

What are secondary (rechargeable) lithium batteries?

Secondary (rechargeable) lithium batteries are comprised of rechargeable cells containing an intercalated lithium compound for the anode and cathode. Rechargeable lithium batteries are commonly referred to as “lithium-ion” batteries.

Are Lib batteries safe?

Stable LIB operation under normal conditions significantly limits battery damage in the event of an accident. As a result of all these measures, current

LIBs are much safer than previous generations, though additional developments are still needed to improve battery safety even further.

What are the IEC standards for secondary batteries?

IEC standards include IEC 62485-1 Safety requirements for secondary batteries and battery installations—Part 1: General safety information—Edition 1.0, IEC 62485-2 Safety requirements for secondary batteries and battery installations—Part 2: Stationary batteries—Edition 1.0.

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