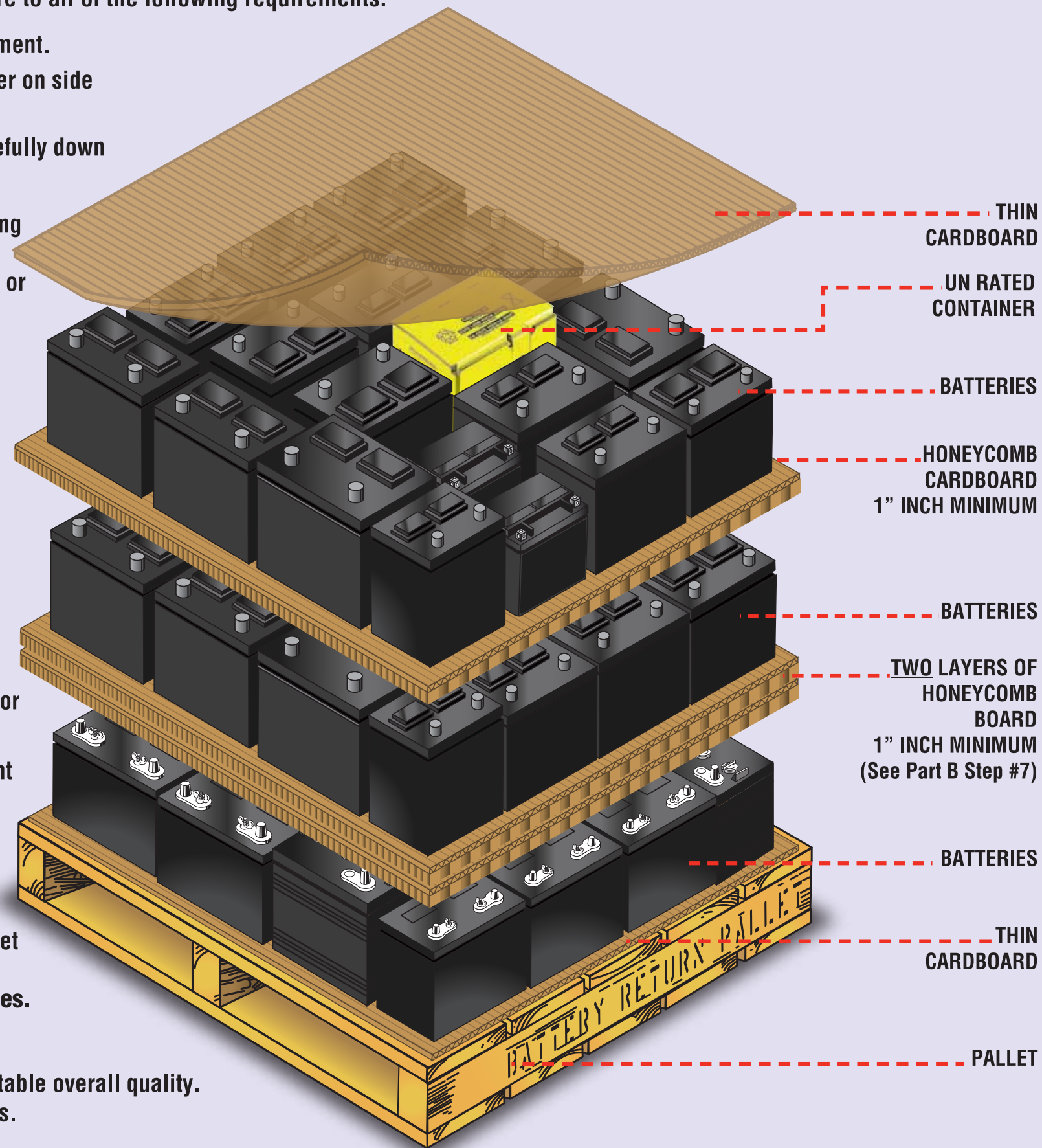


Used Battery Packaging Guidelines

PART A: GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Before handling batteries, please read and adhere to all of the following requirements:

- Wear the appropriate personal protection equipment.
- Keep batteries upright at all times. Do not tip over on side or upside down.
- Do not throw or drop batteries. Put batteries carefully down on pallet.
- Only lead-acid batteries may be returned including Gel batteries, AGM and Power Sports batteries. No Lithium Ion or Nickel Metal Hydride, Alkaline or Industrial/Forklift batteries can be accepted nor Battery Boosters or acid packs.
- No other hazardous materials may be packaged with used batteries or transported in the same vehicle. This includes containers of battery acid or acid packs.
- Batteries must be stacked on pallets as to prevent damage or short circuits in transit. Posts must never touch each other or other metal objects.
- No overhanging batteries allowed.
- Damaged or leaking batteries—see Part B step 8.
- Reuse Premier Batteries supplied pallet or a pallet durable enough to handle the battery load. Do not use “Chep Pallets” to return used batteries.
- Never exceed three (3) layers of batteries.
- Visually inspect pallet for damage and for acceptable overall quality. This includes no protruding nails and split boards.



Failure to comply with the guidelines can result in refusal by the carrier to accept material. In addition, failure to comply can result in fines and penalties from federal, state and local authorities.

PART C: INSTRUCTIONS FOR WRAPPING PALLET

Once the batteries are stacked on the pallet per steps 1 through 8 in Part B and thin cardboard placed on top of the batteries on the top layer, then stretch wrap the pallet as follows:

- Recommended stretch wrap: Sigma blown film: 80 gage and 20 inch width. Black stretch wrap is not allowed.
- Machine Wrap: Minimum number of wraps by layer: 12 top, 6 middle, 12 bottom – 30 total; 2 inch minimum stretch wrap coverage above top layer and on pallet; uniform wrap coverage across entire pallet required. Stretch wrap elongation value no less than 220%.
- Manual/Hand Wrap: Minimum number of wraps by layer: 7 top, 3 middle, 7 bottom – 17 total; 2 inch minimum stretch wrap coverage above top layer and on pallet; uniform wrap coverage across entire pallet required. Minimum number of ropes by layer: 3 top, 3 middle, 3 bottom and 2 ropes around pallet (all corners) - 11 total.
- Be sure to include the pallet and top layer of batteries. Figure 4 shows a properly wrapped pallet.



Figure 4

These guidelines are to assist in compliance with Federal DOT safety regulations. Please assist the driver in complying with the law.



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

PART B: INSTRUCTIONS FOR STACKING PALLET

- Select a pallet that meets the pallet specifications in Part A.
- Place a layer of thin cardboard on the pallet.
- Make the first layer of batteries level and as close together as possible. If some of the batteries are shorter, they should be placed in the center of layers.
- Place new or good condition, minimum 1" honeycomb cardboard between all layers, to prevent the possibility of puncturing the batteries above and short circuit. Place thin cardboard on top.

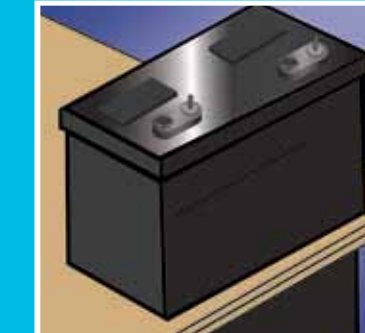
- Side terminal batteries must be stacked so the posts are facing away from each other and not facing towards the outside of the pallet. Side terminals must never touch.



- Top posts must be positioned toward the outside of the pallet so the layer above it leans toward the center. Make sure that no batteries are overhanging the honeycomb cardboard.



- Stud post batteries (Marine, Group 31, Golf Car) should be on the bottom layer. You will need 2 layers of 1" inch honeycomb cardboard on top of any layer containing these types of batteries to prevent punctures.



- Leaking batteries or batteries that may leak in transport are to be placed in a Leaking Core Kit per instructions on box.



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