

Lead Oxide	1309-60-0	TWA	0.05 mg/m ³
Sulfuric Acid	7664-93-9	TWA	1 mg/m ³

International Exposure Limits (mg/m³)

*Chemical & Common Name	Quebec PEV	Ontario OEL	EU OEL
Lead and Lead Compounds (inorganic)	0.05	0.05	0.15 (a)
Electrolyte (H ₂ SO ₄ /H ₂ O)	1	0.2	0.05 (b)

(a) As inhalable aerosol (b) Thoracic fraction

Biological limit values

ACGIH Biological Exposure Indices

Ingredient	Value	Determinant	Specimen	Sampling Time
Lead	300 µg/l	Lead	Blood	*
Lead Oxide	300 µg/l	Lead	Blood	*
Lead Sulfate	300 µg/l	Lead	Blood	*

* - For Sampling details please see the source document.

Engineering Controls (Ventilation):

Store and handle in well-ventilated area. If mechanical ventilation is used, components must be acid-resistant. Handle batteries cautiously, do not tip to avoid spills. Make certain vent caps are on securely. If battery case is damaged, avoid bodily contact with internal components. Wear protective clothing, eye and face protection, when filling, charging, or handling batteries. Do not allow metallic materials to simultaneously contact both the positive and negative terminals of the batteries. Charge batteries in areas with adequate ventilation. General dilution ventilation is acceptable.

Respiratory Protection (NIOSH/MSHA approved):

NONE REQUIRED FOR NORMAL HANDLING OF THE FINISHED PRODUCT.

When concentrations of sulfuric acid mist are known to exceed PEL, use NIOSH or MSHA-approved respiratory protection.

Skin Protection:

NONE REQUIRED FOR NORMAL HANDLING OF THE FINISHED PRODUCT.

If battery case is damaged, use rubber or plastic acid-resistant gloves with elbow-length gauntlet, acid-resistant apron, clothing and boots.

Eye Protection:

NONE REQUIRED FOR NORMAL HANDLING OF THE FINISHED PRODUCT.

If necessary to handle damaged product where exposure to the organic electrolyte is a possibility, chemical splash goggles and a face shield are recommended.

Other Protection:

In areas where water and sulfuric acid solutions are handled in concentrations greater than 1%, emergency eyewash stations and showers should be provided, with unlimited water supply. Chemically impervious apron and face shield recommended when adding water or electrolyte to batteries. Wash Hands after handling.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance and Odor	Manufactured article; no apparent odor. Electrolyte is a clear liquid with a sharp, penetrating, pungent odor.
Odor Threshold	Not applicable.
pH	Not applicable
Boiling Point	Not applicable unless individual components exposed. Battery Electrolyte (Acid) - 230 - 233.6 °F (110 - 112 °C) Lead - 3191 °F (1755 °C)
Melting Point	Lead - 621.32 °F (327.4 °C)
Specific Gravity (H₂O = 1)	1.215 to 1.350
Flash Point	498.2 °F (259.0 °C) Hydrogen