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# SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)

**SEALED LEAD ACID: AGM** 

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The following information is provided as a courtesy to Ascent customers.

# **SECTION 1 - IDENTIFICATION**

Product Name AGM Battery: Stand-By, UPS, High-Rate, Telecomm

Common Name(s) Absorbed Glass Mat(AGM) - Battery

Synonyms SLA, VRLA, AGM, Absorbed Glass Mat, Sealed

Recombinant

**DOT Description** Wet Battery, non-spillable

Chemical Name Sealed Lead Acid Battery, Secondary Battery

**Distributed By** Ascent Battery Supply, LLC

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# **SECTION 2 - HAZARD(S)**

Hazard Statements				
Normal Conditions	Under normal operating conditions, this product poses no health hazard.			
Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards	Hydrogen and oxygen gases are produced in the cells during normal battery operation and may increase fire risk in poorly ventilated areas (hydrogen is flammable and oxygen supports combustion). These gases enter the air through the vent caps. To avoid the chance of fire or explosion, keep sparks and other sources of ignition away from the battery.			
Electrical Safety	Battery terminals can be short circuited.			
Health Hazards	Lead and Lead Compounds: Isolated exposure to dust or fumes can cause respiratory and eye irritation. Chronic exposure can cause kidney and nervous system damage; anemia and damage to the reproductive system. Ingestic may cause abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and severe cramping.			

Additional Information – No health effects are expected related to normal use of this product as sold.

# **SECTION 3 - COMPOSITION**

Chemical Name	CAS No.	Percentage %
Lead/Lead Compounds	7439-92-1	50-75
Sulfuric Acid	7664-93-9	5-20
Tin	7440-31-5	0-1
Antimony	7440-36-0	0-0.1
Calcium	7440-70-2	0-0.15
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0-0.1

ABS/Polypropylene	9003-56-9/9003-07-0	2-10
AGM Separator	n/a	3-4

## **SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

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	Electrolyte: Remove from exposure, move to fresh air		
Inhalation	immediately. If not breathing, give artificial		
	respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.		
	Consult a physician immediately.		
	<b>Lead:</b> Remove from exposure, gargle, wash nose and		
	lips. Consult physician immediately.		
Eyes Contact	Electrolyte and Lead: Flush eyes immediately with		
	large amounts of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting		
	lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Consult a		
	physician immediately.		
	Electrolyte: Flush affected area(s) with large amounts		
	of water using deluge emergency shower, if available,		
	shower for at least 15 minutes. Remove		
Chin Contact	contaminated clothing, including shoes. Consult a		
Skin Contact	physician if skin irritation appears. Wash		
	contaminated clothing before reuse. Discard		
	contaminated shoes.		
	Lead: Wash immediately with soap and water.		
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting or aspiration into the lungs		
	may occur and can cause permanent injury or death.		
	Give large quantities of water. Never give anything by		
	mouth to an unconscious person. Consult a physician		
	immediately.		

# **SECTION 5 - FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

Flash Point - N/A

**Auto Ingestion** – No Data Available

**Extinguisher Media** - Dry chemical type extinguishers or water.

**Special Fire-Fighting Procedures** - Full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full face shield. Extinguish fire with agent suitable for surrounding combustible materials. Cool exterior of battery if exposed to fire to prevent or stop release of lead chemicals and fumes. Firefighting runoff and dilution water may be toxic and corrosive. Do not use carbon dioxide directly on cells.

# **SECTION 6 – ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Lead dust should be vacuumed or wet swept into a DOT approved container. Use controls that minimize escaping or fugitive emissions. Do not use compressed air.

# **SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Store batteries in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area: separate from incompatible materials and any activities that can generate flames, sparks, or heat. Use an insulating material, such as cardboard, between stacked layers of

batteries. Keep all metallic articles that could short the terminals away from batteries. Use insulated tools only. Follow all installation instructions and diagrams when installing or maintaining battery systems.

Handle cautiously; avoid contact with eyes and skin.

# SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Respiratory Protection (NIOSH/MSHA approved)** - None required under normal handling conditions. During battery formation (high-rate charge condition), acid mist can be generated which may cause respiratory irritation. Also, if acid spillage occurs in a confined space, exposure may occur. If irritation occurs, wear a respirator suitable for protection against acid mist.

Eye Protection - If battery case is damaged, use chemical goggles or face shield worn over safety glasses.

**Skin Protection** - If battery case is damaged, use rubber or plastic acid-resistant gloves with elbow-length gauntlet, acid-resistant apron, clothing and boots. Safety shoes are recommended when handling batteries. All footwear must meet requirements of ANSI Z41.1 -Rev.1972

# **SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

<b>Boiling Point</b>	Electrolyte: 110°C (230°F)	Melting Point	Lead: 327°C (621°F)	
Vapor Pressure	Electrolyte: 10 mmHg	Vapor Density	>1	
Specific Gravity (H2O=1)	Electrolyte: 1.27-1.33	Solubility in Water	Electrolyte: 100%	
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Acid: <1 (n-BuAc=1)			
Reactivity in Water	NA	Auto-Ignition	580°C (Hydrogen)	
		Temperature		
Odor Threshold	Not Applicable	Viscosity (poise @ 25° C)	Not Available	
Partition Coefficient	NA	Decomposition	Not Available	
		Temperature		
Flash Point	259°C (Hydrogen)			
Appearance and Odor	Electrolyte: clear liquid; acidic odor Case: case with terminals, odorless			

# **SECTION 10 - STABILITY & REACTIVITY**

**Stability** - This product is stable under normal conditions at ambient temperature. Avoid sparks, other sources of ignition, and electrical shorting.

## INCOMPATIBILITY (MATERIALS TO AVOID) -

**Lead/Lead Compounds:** potassium (K), carbides, sulfides, peroxides, phosphorus (P), and sulfur **Battery Electrolyte (Acid):** combustible materials, strong reducing agents, most metals, carbides, organic materials, chlorates, nitrates, picrate and fulminates.

#### **SECTION 11 – TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Threshold Limit Value: OSHA Air Exposure Limits (ug/ m³)

Lead/Lead Compound:50Tin:2000Dilute Sulfuric Acid:1000

#### **ROUTES AND METHODS OF ENTRY -**

#### Inhalation -

Acid mist from formation process may cause respiratory irritation.

#### Skin Contact -

Acid may cause irritation, burns and/or ulceration.

## Eye Contact -

Acid may cause severe irritation, burns, cornea damage and/or blindness.

### Ingestion -

Acid may cause irritation of mouth, throat, esophagus, and stomach.

## SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF OVEREXPOSURE -

# **Acute Effects -**

Over exposure to lead may lead to loss of appetite, constipation, sleeplessness and fatigue. Over exposure to acid may lead to skin irritation, corneal damage of the eyes and upper respiratory system.

## **Chronic Effects -**

Lead and its components may cause damage to kidneys and nervous system. Acid and its components may cause lung damage and pulmonary conditions.

## MEDICAL CONDITIONS GENERALLY AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE

Potential to Cause Cancer: The International Agency for Research on Cancer has classified "strong inorganic acid mist containing sulfuric acid" as a Category1 carcinogen, a substance that is carcinogenic to humans. This classification does not apply to liquid forms of sulfuric acid or sulfuric acid solutions contained within a battery. Inorganic acid mist is not generated under normal use of this product. Misuse of the product, such as overcharging, may however result in the generation of sulfuric acid mist.

#### SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## **Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Lead/Lead Compounds: Oxides of lead and sulfur.

Battery Electrolyte (Acid): Hydrogen, sulfur dioxide, and sulfur trioxide.

### **SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL**

## Waste Disposal Method -

<u>Battery electrolyte (acid)</u>: Neutralize as above for a spill, collect residue, and place in a drum or suitable container. Dispose of as hazardous waste.

<u>Spent batteries</u>: Send to lead smelter for reclamation following applicable Federal, State and local regulations. Product can be recycled along with automotive (SLI) lead acid batteries.

Do not flush lead contaminated acid to sewer.

# **SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT**

**U.S. DOT:** Lead Acid batteries that are classified as non-spillable have been tested and meet the non-spillable criteria listed in CFR 49, 173.159 (f) and 173.159a (d) (1).

Non-spillable batteries are excluded from CFR 49, Subchapter C requirements, provided that the following criteria are met:

- (1) The batteries must be securely packed in strong outer packaging and meet the requirements of CFR 49 173.159a;
- (2) The batteries' terminals must be protected against short circuit; and
- (3) Each battery and their outer packaging must be plainly and durably marked "NONSPILLABLE" or "NONSPILLABLE BATTERY"

The exception from CFR 49, Subchapter C means shipping papers need not show proper shipping name, hazard class, UN number, and packing group. Hazardous warning labels are not required when transporting a non-spillable battery.

IATA: Lead Acid batteries that are classified as non-spillable have been tested and meet the non-spillable criteria listed in IATA Packing Instruction 872 and Special Provision A67. Non-spillable batteries must be packed according to IATA Packing Instruction 872. This means shipping papers need not show proper shipping name, hazard class, UN number, and packing group. Hazardous warning labels are not required when transporting a non-spillable battery. These batteries are excluded from all IATA regulations provided that battery terminals are protected against short circuits.

**IMDG:** Lead Acid batteries that are classified as non-spillable have been tested and meet the non-spillable criteria listed in Special Provision 238. Non-spillable batteries must be packed according to IMDG Packing Instruction P003. This means shipping papers need not show proper shipping name, hazard class, UN number, and packing group. No hazardous warning labels are required when transporting a non-spillable battery. These batteries are excluded from all IMDG code provided that the batteries' terminals are protected against short circuits per PP16.

#### **SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Batteries in this category may be listed with UL in the 'recognized component' class.

## **SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

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