

# Base station lead-acid battery decay over several years







#### **Overview**

When a lead acid battery discharges, the sulfates in the electrolyte attach themselves to the plates. During recharge, the sulfates move back into the acid, but not completely. Some sulfates crystalize and remain attached to the plates, which means over time.

The positive and negative electrodes (plates) in any battery cannot touch each other. If they do, they immediately short out and the cell dies. Note, this does not mean the entire.

Acid stratification occurs in flooded lead acid batteries which are never fully recharged. This is especially common in vehicles which are used for short journeys since there is not.

Ironically one of the most common reasons for battery failure is not an actual failure of the battery itself, it is people thinking the battery is dead. Some manufacturers and retailers report that up to 50% of batteries returned under warranty are actually.

If lead acid batteries are cycled too deeply their plates can deform. Starter batteries are not meant to fall below 70% state of charge and deep cycle units can be at risk if they are regularly discharged to below 50%. In flooded lead acid batteries this can cause plates to.

Do lead acid batteries degrade over time?

All rechargeable batteries degrade over time. Lead acid and sealed lead acid batteries are no exception. The question is, what exactly happens that causes lead acid batteries to die?

This article assumes you have an understanding of the internal structure and make up of lead acid batteries.

What happens if a lead acid battery is flooded?

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acid batteries this can cause plates to touch each other and lead to an electrical short.

How long do lead acid batteries typically last?

Lead acid batteries can last around 20 years or more if all conditions of operation are ideal. However, such conditions are not typically achievable. The end of battery life may be due to loss of active material, lack of contact of active material with conducting parts, or failure of insulation i.e. separators.

What causes a lead acid battery to fail?

Other factors that can contribute to a lead acid battery's failure include overcharging, undercharging, exposure to extreme temperatures, and physical damage. What Kills a Lead Acid Battery?

As mentioned earlier, sulfation is the primary cause of lead acid battery failure. However, other factors can contribute to the battery's death, including:

What are the causes and results of deterioration of lead acid battery?

The following are some common causes and results of deterioration of a lead acid battery: Overcharging If a battery is charged in excess of what is required, the following harmful effects will occur: A gas is formed which will tend to scrub the active material from the plates.

What happens if a lead acid battery is cycled too deep?

Plate buckling – see below. If lead acid batteries are cycled too deeply their plates can deform. Starter batteries are not meant to fall below 70% state of charge and deep cycle units can be at risk if they are regularly discharged to below 50%.



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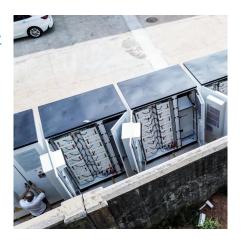


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