

# Damaged energy storage batteries







#### **Overview**

What are the hazards associated with a battery?

These hazards can be associated with the chemicals used in the manufacture of battery cells, stored electrical energy, and hazards created during thermal runaway, (see below) which can include fire, explosions, and chemical byproducts.

What is a battery energy storage system?

Battery energy storage systems (BESS) stabilize the electrical grid, ensuring a steady flow of power to homes and businesses regardless of fluctuations from varied energy sources or other disruptions. However, fires at some BESS installations have caused concern in communities considering BESS as a method to support their grids.

What happens if a lithium ion battery is damaged?

Li-ion batteries contain an anode, cathode and electrolyte. These components are arranged within a casing that allows the battery to function normally. But, if the battery is stored incorrectly or handled improperly, it can become hazardous. This article will teach you how to handle, store, ship and dispose of damaged lithium-ion batteries.

What happens if a battery fails?

FAILURE MODES There are several ways in which batteries can fail, often resulting in fires, explosions and/or the release of toxic gases. Thermal Abuse – Energy storage systems have a set range of temperatures in which they are designed to operate, which is usually provided by the manufacturer.

Why is a lithium battery a fire hazard?

This can destabilize internal components, increasing the risk of fire even when the battery isn't in use. The more energy a battery stores, the greater the risk it poses in case of failure. Similarly, storing large quantities of lithium batteries



multiplies the hazard potential.

What happens if an ESS battery is stranded?

This commonly occurs after an ESS fire has been extinguished and the battery terminals have been damaged. This is a shock hazard to those working with the damaged ESS since it still contains an unknown amount of electrical energy. Stranded energy can also lead to reignition of a fire within minute, hours, or even days after the initial event.



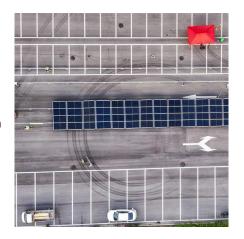
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## <u>Damaged Lithium Ion Batteries: Storing,</u> <u>Handling & Shipping</u>

Damaged, defective, and recalled Li-ion batteries must be properly packaged and shipped so that they will not create safety problems during transportation. Facilities that offer these batteries ...



# A review of lithium-ion battery safety concerns: The issues. ...

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widely used in portable electronics ...





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