

# National implementation standards for battery cabinets

What are the safety requirements related to batteries & Battery rooms?

Employers must consider exposure to these hazards when developing safe work practices and selecting personal protective equipment (PPE). That is where Article 320, Safety Requirements Related to Batteries and Battery Rooms comes in.

#### Are batteries UL or NFPA certified?

In addition, the NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) produces standards documents that focus on electrical safety in relation to batteries. While UL standards are recognized across North America, other regions have similar standards such as IEC 62619 and 62485.

### Are battery containment enclosures ul 1487 certified?

These products, through UL 1487 certification, can then provide another layer of safety for green energy. Battery containment enclosures certified by UL Solutions to UL 1487 can be found in the online certification directory, UL Product iQ®. Product iQ is available to use at no cost but requires a one-time registration.

## What are the provisions appropriate to the battery technology?

Provisions appropriate to the battery technology shall be made for sufficient diffusion and ventilation of gases from the battery, if present, to prevent the accumulation of an explosive mixture. (B) Live Parts. Guarding of live parts shall comply with 110.27. (C) Spaces About Battery Systems. Spaces about battery systems shall comply with 110.26.

#### How can lithium-ion batteries be protected?

These approaches take the form of publicly available research, adoption of the most current lithium-ion battery protection measures into model building, installation and fire codes and rigorous product safety standards that are designed to reduce failure rates.

# Do you need documentation before entering a battery room?

It is a requirement to have all the documentation in place prior to authorized personnel entering a battery room to perform a specific work task on a battery system under normal operating conditions. However, it is likely the employee will need to enter the battery room to deal with a battery system that is not operating normally.



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