

# Minimum Terminal Protection Guidelines SHIPPING IN CALL2RECYCLE BOXES

Below are the minimum requirements for preparing household batteries for shipment. When in doubt of the battery type, Call2Recycle® *recommends the battery be individually bagged or taped.*

## BATTERY TYPE / CHEMISTRY

## TERMINAL PROTECTION REQUIRED?



**Rechargeable**  
Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd)  
Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH)  
Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn)



**Primary (Select sites only)**  
Alkaline & Carbon Zinc



**Rechargeable**  
Small Sealed Lead Acid (SSLA/Pb)  
Lithium Ion (Li-Ion)



**Primary (Select sites only)**  
Lithium  
Button/Coin Cell

**9V or Less = NO** (drop in the box)

**Greater than 9V = YES** Terminal protection **REQUIRED**

**12V or Less = NO** (drop in the box)

**Greater than 12V = YES** Terminal protection **REQUIRED**

**DAMAGED BATTERIES:** Special U.S. DOT-approved packaging (not included here) for shipment required. Contact Customer Service at 877.723.1297 for assistance.

**All = YES** Terminal protection **REQUIRED**

**Call2Recycle boxes should be shipped when full (66 lbs.) or within one year of the collection of the first battery.**

**Store the Call2Recycle collection box in a cool, dry place and where it is under supervision.**

### Charge Up Safety!

[call2recycle.org/safety](http://call2recycle.org/safety)

#### Avoid the spark!



Battery terminals that touch metal surfaces or other batteries can spark, causing a fire or explosion.

### Protect terminals before shipping Bag or Tape **Each Battery!**



Place each battery into a clear plastic bag.

- Call2Recycle-provided bags
- Produce bags
- Newspaper bags
- Ziploc® bags

**Clear bags only**

If no bags are available, tape the positive (+) terminal with a non-conductive tape.

- Clear packing tape
- Electrical tape
- Duct tape

**No masking tape**  
**No painter's tape**

**No Scotch® tape**  
**Do not cover chemistry label**



(drop in the box)

**REMINDER:** Call2Recycle only accepts battery shipments in Call2Recycle boxes or those pre-approved by Call2Recycle.