

DAMAGED BATTERIES

STORAGE AND SHIPPING GUIDELINES

**** NOTICE:** SEAM does not accept any batteries that are found to be leaking or any swollen lithium batteries**



1. Tape All Exposed Terminals:

All exposed terminals of damaged or swollen batteries must be taped with non-conductive tape to ensure they do not make contact with other batteries, conductive surfaces, or metal objects while in transit (*Duct tape preferred, do not use masking tape, painter's tape or scotch tape and do not cover the label — make sure chemistry type is showing*).

2. Protect Entire Battery:

Damaged or swollen batteries must also be completely contained in a sturdy, sealed plastic bag or container.

3. Package:

Damaged batteries should be packaged separately from other batteries, securely cushioned to prevent shifting during transit in a strong rigid outer packaging.

Small Quantities

Batteries can be put in smaller boxes, totes or buckets. Containers with lids preferred to prevent shifting during transit.

Large Quantities

Use a large, strong container such as tote, barrel, box or pallet when storing or shipping large quantities.

4. Label:

Apply a Universal Waste label and identify battery type (*Sample label included on [page 9](#) to print if needed. Please refer to D.O.T. for official requirements*).

WARNING: DO NOT CROSS BATTERY TERMINALS WHILE HANDLING.

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For questions on safe packing and shipping, contact SEAM or refer to the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Terminal protection guidelines included are required by SEAM and SEAM's approved downstream vendors. Customer is solely responsible for complying with D.O.T., Federal, state and local regulations regarding the packaging, labeling, storing, manifesting and transportation of batteries as well as any incident resulting from improper handling.