

Battery Regulations

New Lithium Battery Regulations

- Compliance with new regulations concerning Lithium batteries is now mandatory.
- Further regulation information is available through the [International Air Transport Association \(IATA\)](http://www.iata.org/whatwedo/cargo/dgr/Pages/lithium-batteries.aspx) (<http://www.iata.org/whatwedo/cargo/dgr/Pages/lithium-batteries.aspx>).

What are Lithium and Lithium Ion Batteries?

- These batteries are common in small, electronic devices. If damaged, they have the potential to ignite.

What are the rules for shipping Lithium Batteries?

Protect Batteries and Terminals

- Isolate all terminals by covering them with an insulating material. You could also isolate each battery separately in a plastic bag.
- Pack batteries securely to keep them from shifting or coming into contact with other objects during shipment
- Package objects that have the potential to short-circuit, or otherwise damage batteries securely and separately. Use boxes within boxes if necessary.

Deactivate Devices During Shipment

- If a device has lithium batteries installed, the device must be turned off during shipment and it must be ensured that the device will stay off.

Recycled and Recalled Batteries

- Recalled and recycled batteries must not be sent via airfreight.

Repair Shipments

- Devices which use Lithium batteries that are being shipped for repair must be shipped without batteries.