



DATA SHEET

Universal Waste

Lead acid, lithium, nickel cadmium batteries, mercury batteries, magnesium, and silver oxide batteries are ok to be shipped in as universal waste as long as they are not leaking, and are marked accordingly with the words Universal Waste. When shipping these kinds of batteries, the proper shipping name must be used followed by the words UNIVERSAL WASTE, on the label, and on the manifest.

EXAMPLE: Batteries, dry, sealed, n.o.s. (Silver Oxide Batteries Spent)
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If any of these batteries are found to be leaking, or not shipped in under universal waste then the word waste must be included in the shipping name, and the proper RCRA waste codes must be put on the manifest and label.

EXAMPLE

UN2794, WASTE BATTERIES, WET, FILLED WITH ACID, 8, PGIII

BATTERY TYPE	CODES
Lead Acid	D008, D002
Ni-Cad	D006
Mercury	D009
Silver Oxide	D011
Lithium	D003
Magnesium (contains chromium)	D007

Alkaline batteries, nickel metal hydride batteries, and carbon zinc batteries are not classified as a hazardous waste as defined by the U.S. EPA, therefore they are not subject to the universal waste requirements. These batteries should be shipped in by using the proper shipping name.

EXAMPLE: Batteries, dry, sealed, n.o.s. (Alkaline batteries spent)