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## Lead-acid starter batteries

Part 1: General requirements and methods of test



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### 1 Scope

This European Standard is applicable to lead-acid batteries with a nominal voltage of 12 V, used primarily as a power source for the starting of internal combustion engines, lighting and also for auxiliary equipment of internal combustion engine vehicles. These batteries are commonly called "starter batteries". Batteries with a nominal voltage of 6 V are also included within the scope of this standard. All referenced voltages need to be divided by two for 6 V batteries.

This European Standard is applicable to batteries for the following purposes:

- batteries for passenger cars,
- batteries for commercial and industrial vehicles.

This European Standard is not applicable to batteries for other purposes, for example the starting of railcar internal combustion engines or for motorcycles.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 50342-2, Lead-acid starter batteries — Part 2: Dimensions of batteries and marking of terminals

EN 50342-4, Lead-acid starter batteries — Part 4: Dimensions of batteries for heavy vehicles

EN 50342-5, Lead-acid starter batteries — Part 5: Properties of battery housings and handles

EN 50342-6, Lead-acid starter batteries — Part 6: Batteries for Micro-Cycle Applications

EN 61429, Marking of secondary cells and batteries with the international recycling symbol ISO 7000-1135 and indications regarding directives 93/86/EEC and 91/157/EEC (IEC 61429)

IEC 60050-482, International Electrotechnical Vocabulary — Part 482: Primary and secondary cells and batteries

### 3 General

### 3.1 Introduction

The object of this standard is to specify:

- general requirements;
- certain essential functional characteristics, the relevant test methods and results required, for several classes and types of starter batteries.

For general definitions of terms see IEC 60050-482, Part 482 of the International Electro-technical Vocabulary (IEV).