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Overview

Do lead-acid batteries release hydrogen gas?

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What is a lead-acid battery?

Lead-acid battery is a type of secondary battery which uses a positive electrode of brown lead oxide (sometimes called lead peroxide), a negative electrode of metallic lead and an electrolyte of sulfuric acid (in either liquid or gel form). The overall cell reaction of a typical lead-acid cell is:

What is a flooded lead-acid battery?

Vented Lead-acid Batteries are commonly called “flooded” or “wet cell” batteries. These have thick lead-based plates that are flooded in an acid electrolyte. The electrolyte during charging emits hydrogen through the vents provided in the battery. This reduces the water level and therefore periodic addition of distilled water is required.

Do flooded lead-acid batteries need ventilation?

Flooded lead-acid batteries must be provided with a dedicated ventilation system that exhausts outdoors and prevents circulation of air in other parts of the building. VRLA batteries require comparatively lower ventilation, usually enough to remove heat and gases that might be generated.

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The regular maintenance of adding distilled water is specific only to traditional flooded lead-acid batteries, which are identifiable by their removable vent caps. Many modern applications utilize ...

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