



Manufacturers placing batteries or battery sets on the market must label them with the symbol depicted in Annex 2 (Section 6(1) of the Battery Regulation [Batt-VO]).

The symbol must cover at least 3% of the largest side of the battery, accumulator, or battery set, but no more than an area of 5 x 5 cm. In the case of cylindrical formats, the symbol must cover at least 1.5% of the surface of the battery or accumulator but no more than an area of 5 x 5 cm (Annex 2 of the Batt-VO).

Manufacturers placing device or vehicle batteries on the market must indicate their capacity on the battery in a visible, readable, and permanent form, at the latest, from September 26, 2009 (Section 6(2) Batt-VO).

Manufacturers placing batteries on the market that contain more than 0.0005% mercury, more than 0.002% cadmium, or more than 0.004% lead must label them with the chemical symbol for the respective metal

(Hg, Cd, or Pb) according to Annex 2 (Section 6(3) Batt-VO).

The chemical symbol, along with the indication of the heavy metal contained, must be printed below the symbol; the chemical symbol must cover at least one-quarter of the size of the symbol (Annex 2 of the Batt-VO)

The symbols and signs must be printed so that they are clearly visible, readable, and permanent.

If the size of the symbol or chemical symbol is less than 0.5 x 0.5 cm due to the dimensions of the battery or battery set, the battery or battery set does not need to be labeled. Instead, the symbol or chemical symbol with a minimum size of 1 x 1 cm must be printed on the packaging (Section 6(4) of the Batt-VO).