

Document:EVF479Issue No:2Issue Date:14-Jan-2010Page1 of 8

Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

PRODUCT IDENTIFCATION:	Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery	
CLASSIFICATION:	Battery, wet, non-Spillable electric storage	
	Substance classification: UN 2800	
PRODUCT CODES:	EN ,ENL, NP, NPC, NPH, NPL, NPW, RE, REC, REW, SW, SWL, TEV, UXH, UXL, YFT, Yucel	
	Series of Industrial VRLA Batteries	
USAGE / APPLICATIONS:	Some common uses	
	Standby: Telecoms; UPS; alarm and security systems; emergency lighting; utility switching	
	Cyclic: Golf Trolleys, portable tools, portable lighting, wheelchairs, remote telemetry	
	Energy storage: Photovoltaic energy systems (PVES); wind turbines	
MANUFACTURER / SUPPLIER	Yuasa Battery Europe Ltd,	
	Unit 22, Rassau Industrial Estate,	
	Ebbw Vale, NP23 5SD	
	United Kingdom	
Tel:	(+44) 01495 354 000	
INFORMATION & EMERGENCY CONTACT:		
	Health, Safety & Environment Dept,	
	Yuasa Battery (UK) Ltd.	
Tel:	(+44) 01495 354 071	
e-mail	selwyn.thomas@yuasaeurope.com	

#### 2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Phrases <sup>1</sup>		By Wt. or Vol.	-	
	Land			
	Lead	30 to 40	Pb	7439-92-1
R23	Metallic lead, lead alloys			
R25	Calcium	< 0.1	Ca	7440-70-2
	Tin	< 2	Sn	7440-31-5
R23	Lead Dioxide	35 to 45	Pb.O <sub>2</sub>	1309-60-0
R24	Barium compound	< 1.5	Ba	7440-39-3
R25				
R21 R22	Dilute Sulphuric Acid	10 to 20	$H_2.SO_4$	7664-93-9
R35				
R38 R49				
	Standard Grade, UL94:HB	5 to 10		9003-56-9
	<ul> <li>ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene</li> </ul>			
	Copolymer)			
	Flame Retardant (FR) Grade, UL94:V0			
	<ul> <li>ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene</li> </ul>	5 to 10		9003-56-9
	Copolymer)			
	<ul> <li>Tetrabromobisphenol-A-diglycygilether, with</li> </ul>	< 0.1		40039-
	tribromophenol	< 0.01		98-8
	Antimony trioxide			1309-64-4
	Absorbent Glass Matt (AGM) Separator	2 to 5		
	(100% Borosilicate Glass Microfibre)			
	R24 R25 R21 R22 R35 R36 R37 R38 R49 electrolyte ([	R23 R24 R25       Lead Dioxide         R24 R25       Barium compound         R21 R22 R35 R36 R37 R38 R49       Dilute Sulphuric Acid         Standard Grade, UL94:HB       ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene Copolymer)         Flame Retardant (FR) Grade, UL94:V0       ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene Copolymer)         Flame Retardant (FR) Grade, UL94:V0       ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene Copolymer)         • ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene Copolymer)       • Anstimomobisphenol-A-diglycygilether, with tribromophenol         • Antimony trioxide       Absorbent Glass Matt (AGM) Separator (100% Borosilicate Glass Microfibre)	R23 R24 R25       Lead Dioxide       35 to 45         R24 R25       Barium compound       <1.5	R23 R24 R25       Lead Dioxide       35 to 45       Pb.O2         R24 R25       Barium compound       < 1.5

### **3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Components		
VRLA Battery	Mechanical	VRLA Batteries can be heavy. Correct manual handling techniques and/or mechanical lifting aides (e.g. Fork Lift Truck) must be used.
	Electrical	VRLA Batteries can contain large amounts of electrical energy which can give very high discharge currents and severe electrical shock if the terminals are short circuited.
	Chemical	<ul> <li>The VRLA Battery presents no chemical hazards during the normal operation provided the recommendations for handling, storage, transport and usage are observed.</li> <li>VRLA Batteries emit hydrogen gas which is highly flammable and will form explosive mixtures in air from approx 4% to 76%. This can be ignited by a spark at any voltage, naked flames or other sources of ignition.</li> <li>If the battery is broken and the internal components exposed, hazards may exist which require careful attention.</li> </ul>
Plate Grids and Active materials		alloys and Lead inorganic compounds: sually caused by inhalation of minute particles of lead fume and dust, which are absorbed by

<sup>1</sup> See heading 16 for full text of each Risk phrase.



Document:	EVF479
Issue No:	2
Issue Date:	14-Jan-2010
Page	2 of 8

Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

Battery Electrolyte	the blood stream from the lungs and deposited in the bone marrow. <ul> <li>Lead is only slowly released from the bones and thus has an accumulative effect causing chronic poisoning.</li> <li>TOXIC by ingestion or inhalation of dust, vapour or fume</li> <li>May cause harm to the unborn child</li> <li>Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed</li> <li>Danger of cumulative effects</li> </ul> Severe IRRITATION and DAMAGE to internal tissues if swallowed, IRRITATION of eyes and skin and may cause BURNS and DERMATITIS.
Case Material Separator Material	Standard Grade, UL94:HB & Flame Retardant (FR) Grade, UL94:V0. No hazard in normal use. Material can burn in a fire with toxic smoke and decomposition products. The fibres may cause IRRITATION to skin or eyes upon exposure, and to internal tissues if inhaled or swallowed

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES FOR ACUTE EXPOSURE

This information is of relevance only if the VRLA Battery has suffered damage, is broken and persons have direct contact with the internal components.

Components		Action
Plate Grids and	Inhalation:	Remove the person from exposure to fresh air. Seek advice from a medical doctor
Active materials	Ingestion	Wash out mouth with water and give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce
		vomiting. Seek advice from a medical doctor
	Skin Contact:	Wash off with plenty of water and soap to prevent accidental ingestion or inhalation
	Eye Contact:	Immediately irrigate with eyewash solution or clean water, holding the eyelids apart
		for at least 10 minutes. Then take the person to hospital.
Battery Electrolyte		SPEED IS ESSENTIAL. OBTAIN IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION.
	Inhalation:	Remove the person from exposure to fresh air. If the person continues to feel
		unwell seek advice from a medical doctor.
	Ingestion	Wash out mouth with water and give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce
		vomiting. If the person continues to feel unwell seek advice from a medical doctor.
	Skin Contact:	Drench with large quantities of water. Remove contaminated clothing. Continue to
		wash the affected area for at least 10 minutes. Seek advice from a medical doctor
	Eye Contact:	SPEED IS ESSENTIAL. OBTAIN IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION
		Immediately irrigate with eyewash solution or clean water, holding the eyelids
		apart, for at least 10 minutes. Then take the person to hospital.
Case Material	Inhalation:	Material can burn in a fire with toxic smoke and decomposition products. Upon
		inhalation of decomposition products, keep patient calm, remove to fresh air, and
		seek advice from a medical doctor. If a large quantity is inhaled take the person to
		hospital.
		Note to physician: Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital
		functions), no known specific antidote.
	Ingestion	Wash out mouth with water and give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce
		vomiting. If the person continues to feel unwell seek advice from a medical doctor.
	Skin Contact:	Areas affected by molten material should be quickly placed under cold running
		water and a sterile protective dressing applied. Seek advice from a medical doctor.
	Eye Contact:	May cause irritation or injury due to mechanical action and traces of Battery
		Electrolyte. Irrigate thoroughly with eyewash solution or clean water, holding the
<u> </u>		eyelids apart, for at least 10 minutes. Then take the person to hospital.
Separator Material	Inhalation:	Remove patient from exposure to fresh air. If irritation persists, seek advice from a
		medical doctor
	Ingestion	Wash out mouth with water and give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce
		vomiting. If the person continues to feel unwell seek advice from a medical doctor.
	Skin Contact:	After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of soap and water. If irritation
		persists, seek advice from a medical doctor
	Eye Contact:	In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with eyewash solution or clean
		water, holding the eyelids apart, for at least 10 minutes. Then take the person to
		hospital.



Document:	EVF479
Issue No:	2
Issue Date:	14-Jan-2010
Page	3 of 8

Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

#### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING AND EXPLOSION HAZARD MEASURES

Components		
VRLA Battery		• VRLA Batteries emit hydrogen gas which is highly flammable and will form explosive mixtures in air from approx 4% to 76%. This can be ignited by a spark at any voltage, naked flames or other sources of ignition.
		• Batteries in use will be part of an electrical circuit and must be isolated from the power source before attempting to put out a fire. Switch the power <b>OFF</b> before disconnecting the batteries from the power source.
		• Damaged batteries may expose negative plates (grey) colour, which may ignite if allowed to dry out. These plates may be wetted down with water after the battery has been removed from all electrical circuits.
	Suitable Extinguisher types:	CO <sub>2</sub> ; Foam; Dry Powder.
	Unsuitable Extinguisher types	Water extinguishers must never be used to put out an electrical fire.
	Hazardous decomposition products:	Carbon monoxide, Sulphur Dioxide, Sulphur Trioxide, lead fume and vapour, toxic fumes from decomposition of battery case materials.
	Special protective equipment for fire fighters:	Full face visor or safety goggles; respiratory protective equipment or self-contained breathing apparatus; full acid resistant protective clothing must be worn in fire fighting conditions.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

This information is of relevance only if the VRLA Battery has suffered damage and is broken.

Components		
VRLA Battery		VRLA batteries are designed not to leak under normal conditions.
Plate Grids and Active materials	Personal Precautions: Clean-up Methods:	Use of heavy-duty gloves is recommended Solid lead may be picked up and recycled. Active material waste should be cleaned up and the area washed.
	Environmental Precautions:	Do not allow to enter a watercourse. Exposed lead materials must be placed in an inert sealed container (e.g. self-seal plastic bag) for disposal, see Section 13.
Battery Electrolyte:	Personal Precautions:	Ensure suitable, acid resistant, personal protective clothing (including respiratory protection) is worn during removal of spillages.
	Clean-up Methods: Small spillages:	Absorb spillages. Wash the spillage area with water.
	Large spillages:	Electrolyte leakage should be absorbed onto dry sand, earth, sawdust or other inert material and must not be allowed to enter any drains or sewage system. Neutralise the electrolyte using soda ash, sodium bicarbonate, sodium carbonate or calcium carbonate powder and then wash the area thoroughly with water. Collect absorbed material and place in an inert sealed container (e.g. self-seal plastic bag) for disposal, see Section 13.
Case Material:	Clean-up Methods:	Sweep and/or shovel up. Collect contaminated material and place in an inert sealed container for disposal, see Section 13.
Separator Material:	Clean-up Methods:	Sweep and/or shovel up. Collect contaminated material and place in an inert sealed container for disposal, see Section 13.

Note: If appropriate refer to 8 and 13

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Components		
VRLA Battery	Storage	Store batteries in a cool, well ventilated area with a solid, impervious surface, and adequate containment in the event of accidental acid spillage. Store under a roof and protect against adverse weather conditions including rain, snow and other sources of water.
		Storage of large quantities of VRLA batteries may require approval from local environmental protection agency and/or local water authorities.
		Pallets of VRLA Batteries are heavy. Store at ground level or in lower levels of storage systems (e.g. racking).
		Take special care in dry conditions to avoid the risk of electrostatic discharges. Protect against physical damage and exposure to organic solvents and other incompatible materials.



Document:	EVF479
Issue No:	2
Issue Date:	14-Jan-2010
Page	4 of 8

Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

		Store batteries in their original packaging wherever possible. When batteries are removed from their original packaging (e.g. for transportation of small quantities), ensure new packaging protects the batteries from damage and risk of short circuit of the terminals.
Har	ndling:	Only trained operators should be allowed to handle VRLA batteries.
	ĩ	Mechanical lifting aides (e.g. FLT) may be required to move large batteries.
Enc	d-of-Life	Ensure batteries are removed from equipment at end of life and collected for
(EC	C WEEE Regulations)	recycling by an approved contractor.
Inst	stallation:	Refer to EN 50272-2:2001, Safety requirements for secondary batteries and
		battery installations – Part 2 Stationary batteries.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROL / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Components		
VRLA Battery	Personal Precautions:	When there is no evidence of damage or visible traces of liquid (electrolyte) or solid deposits on the batteries they may be handled safely without extra personal protective equipment.
		Ensure electrical insulation equipment is used when installing batteries. (e.g. insulated mats and covers; insulated tools)
		Remove ALL metallic objects from the person when working with VRLA Batteries: e.g. Jewellery (rings, watches, bracelets, necklaces), pens, torches, etc.
		Where there are any signs of damage or liquid (electrolyte) or solid deposits, rubber gloves and acid resistant clothing must be worn when handling the batteries and affected packaging to protect against the effects of any electrolyte that may be present.
		If it is suspected that free electrolyte is present, then safety glasses must be worn, and if large amounts are present, chemical goggles or face shield should be used.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Components				
VRLA Battery	The main components are listed in item 2 above.			
	• The undamaged product is a manufactured item in an inert plastic (ABS) case, which will burn if subjected to			
	high temperatures or sources of ignition. Some battery types are made with Flame Retardant ABS cases, see			
	technical specification. These batteries carry the suffix 'FR' after the battery type; e.g. NP24-12FR			
	<ul> <li>Batteries emit hyd</li> </ul>	rogen gas, which is hi	ghly flammable and forms explosive	mixtures in air, see Section 5.
Plate Grids and	Appearance		Safety-related data	
Active materials	Form	Solid	Solidification point	327 ℃
	Colour	Grey or brown	Boiling point	1740 ℃
	Odour	Odourless	Solubility in water	Very low (0.15mg/l)
			Solubility in acid or alkaline solutions	Yes, dependant on the strength of solution.
			Density (at 20°C)	11.35 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
			Vapour pressure (at 20°C)	N.A.
Battery Electrolyte:				
	Form	Liquid	Solidification point	-35 to -60 ℃
	Colour	Colourless	Boiling point	Approx 108 to 114 °C
	Odour	Odourless	Solubility in water	Complete
			Density (at 20°C)	Variable up to 1.350 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
			Vapour pressure (at 20°C)	N.A.
Case Material:	Appearance		Safety-related data	
	Form	Solid	Softening point	> 100 ℃ (DIN 53460)
	Colour	Grey or black	Flash Point	>330 °C
	Odour	Slight Odour	Solubility in water	Insoluble
		J	Solubility in other solvents	Soluble in polar solvents, aromatic
				solvents, chlorinated
				hydrocarbons. $4.97.4.4$ m/s <sup>3</sup> (DIN 50.470)
			Density (at 20°C)	1.07-1.4 g/cm <sup>3</sup> (DIN 53479)
O an anatan Matanial			Vapour pressure (at 973℃)	1mm Hg
Separator Material:	<b>F</b>	E'hanne an te s'e l	O - l'alfin a diaman int	
	Form	Fibrous material	Solidification point	N/A
	Colour	White	Boiling point	N/A
	Odour	Odourless	Solubility in water	Insoluble
			Density (at 20°C)	N/A
			Vapour pressure (at 20 $^{\circ}$ C)	N/A



Document:	EVF479
Issue No:	2
Issue Date:	14-Jan-2010
Page	5 of 8

Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

### **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Components		
VRLA Battery		Within the operational temperature range -20 to +50 °C the undamaged product is stable.
Plate Grids and Active materials:	Materials to Avoid:	Powdered lead reacts violently with fused ammonium nitrate and sodium acetylide. Reacts violently when in contact with chlorine trifluoride.
Battery Electrolyte:	Hazardous Reactions	<ul> <li>Dilution of the higher concentrated grades with water may liberate excessive heat.</li> <li>Highly reactive with metals and organic materials.</li> <li>On contact with metals, may generate hydrogen which forms explosive mixtures with air.</li> <li>Destroys organic materials such as cardboard, wood, textiles, etc.</li> <li>Vigorous reaction with sodium hydroxide and alkalis.</li> </ul>
	Hazardous Decomposition Product(s):	Sulphur oxides
Case Material:	Conditions to Avoid:	To avoid thermal decomposition, do not overheat. Starts to decompose at temperatures >275'C.
	Materials to Avoid:	Powerful oxidising agents.
	Thermal degradation products:	Monomers, other degradation products, traces of hydrogen cyanide.
Separator Material:		<ul> <li>Stable material.</li> <li>Incompatible with Hydrofluoric acid and concentrated Sodium Hydroxide</li> <li>No hazardous polymerisation expected.</li> </ul>

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Components		
VRLA Battery		This information does not apply to the undamaged VRLA Battery. It is of relevance if the battery is broken and the components are released to the environment. Exposure limits may vary according to national law and regulations.
Plate Grids: Metallic lead, lead alloys.	Toxicity	<ul> <li>Toxic by ingestion or inhalation</li> <li>Chronic poison</li> <li>Lead is a poison that affects virtually every system in the body</li> <li>Symptoms include fatigue, headaches, constipation, aching bones and muscles, gastrointestinal tract disturbances and reduced appetite</li> <li>Blood lead levels of 80 µg/dl and above have been associated with both acute and chronic effects of lead poisoning</li> </ul>
Active materials: Lead dioxide.	Toxicity	<ul> <li>Toxic by ingestion or inhalation</li> <li>Chronic poison</li> <li>Chronic exposure to lead compounds may lead to a build-up of lead in the body, giving rise to a variety of health problems, including anaemia, kidney and liver damage, impaired eyesight, memory loss and CNS<sup>2</sup> damage</li> </ul>
Battery Electrolyte:	Dilute Sulphuric Acid	Corrosive, the more concentrated solutions can cause serious burns to the mouth, eyes and skin Harmful by ingestion and through skin contact
	Inhalation:	Mist is a severe irritant to the respiratory tract. Fluid build up on the lung (pulmonary oedema) may occur up to 48 hours after exposure and could prove fatal
	Ingestion:	Will immediately cause severe corrosion of and damage to the gastrointestinal tract
	Skin Contact:	Causes severe chemical burns
	Eye Contact:	Risk of serious damage to eyes. Causes severe burns. May cause prolonged or permanent damage or even total loss of sight. Mist will cause irritation

<sup>2</sup> CNS = Central Nervous System



Document:	EVF479
Issue No:	2
Issue Date:	14-Jan-2010
Page	6 of 8

Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

Case Material:	According to information available the product is not harmful to health provided it is correctly handled and processed according to the given recommendations.
Separator Material:	Based on animal implantation and epidemiologic studies glass microfibres are thought to have some limited carcinogenic potential and as such are designated as Group 2B materials (IARC, US). The material should be treated as a category 3 carcinogen (Europe). Limited evidence of carcinogenic effect.

### **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Components		
VRLA Battery		This information does not apply to the undamaged VRLA Battery. It is of relevance if the battery is broken and the components are released to the environment.
Plate Grids and Active materials:	Metallic lead, lead alloys and Lead dioxide.	Chemical and physical treatment is required for the elimination of lead from water. Waste water containing lead must not be disposed of in an untreated condition.
	Ecotoxicity:	<ul> <li>The general classification for Lead compounds, R50/53 does not apply to Battery Lead Oxide</li> <li>Tests in 2001 and 2005 have concluded that Battery Lead Oxide is NOT toxic for the environment; neither R50 nor R50/53 nor R51/53.</li> <li>Risk Phrase R52/53 (Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment) applies to Battery Lead Oxide.</li> </ul>
	Effect in the aquatic environment:	<ul> <li>Toxicity for fish: 96 h LC 50 &gt; 100 mg/l</li> <li>Toxicity for daphnia: 48 h EC 50 &gt; 100 mg/l</li> <li>Toxicity for alga: 72 h IC 50 &gt; 10 mg/l</li> </ul>
Battery Electrolyte:	Ecotoxicity:	<ul> <li>In order to avoid damage to the sewerage system, the acid has to be neutralised by means of soda ash, sodium bicarbonate or sodium carbonate before disposal.</li> <li>Ecological damage is possible by change of pH. The electrolyte solution reacts with water and organic substances, causing damage to flora and fauna.</li> <li>The electrolyte may also contain components of lead that can be toxic to aquatic environments.</li> </ul>
	Persistence and Degradation:	Remains indefinitely in the environment as sulphate.
Case Material:	Elimination information:	No data available: insoluble in water
	Behaviour and environmental fate:	Due to the consistency of the product, and its insolubility in water, it will apparently not be bio-available.
Separator Material:		No data available: insoluble in water
		Not thought to pose any risk to the environment.

### **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Components		
VRLA Battery	Europe:	<ul> <li>Spent VRLA Batteries are subject to the requirements of the Batteries Directive 2006/66/EC (on batteries and accumulators and waste batteries and accumulators). Spent VRLA Batteries MUST be sent for recycling through an authorised contractor.</li> <li>The WEEE Directive 2002/96/EC (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) applies. Spent VRLA Batteries MUST be removed from equipment at end-of-life.</li> </ul>
	Worldwide:	<ul> <li>VRLA batteries contain inorganic lead compounds and sulphuric acid which are damaging to the environment.</li> <li>Spent batteries must be disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner in accordance with local national laws and regulations.</li> </ul>
Plate Grids and Active materials:		<ul> <li>Metallic lead and active materials (Lead Oxides) must be recycled.</li> <li>Disposal must be carried out in accordance with the European Hazardous Waste Directive 91/689/EEC (until end of 2010), then Directive 2008/98/EC</li> </ul>
Battery Electrolyte:	Europe	<ul> <li>Disposal must be carried out in accordance with the European Hazardous Waste Directive 91/689/EEC (until end of 2010),</li> <li>Thereafter, Directive 2008/98/EC on the protection of the environment through criminal law</li> </ul>
	Worldwide	Disposal should be in accordance with local, state or national legislation.



Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

EVF479
2
14-Jan-2010
7 of 8

 Case Material:
 • Do not dispose of this product into sewers, any ocean or water area in order to prevent marine animals and birds from ingesting.

 • Recycling is encouraged.
 • Disposal by controlled incineration or source landfill in accordance with local national laws and regulations may be acceptable.

 Separator Material:
 • Constitutes a special waste by virtue of hazardous substance content.

 • Dispose of via approved landfill site.
 Disposal by controlled source landfill in accordance with local national laws and regulations may be

acceptable.

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Components		
VRLA Battery	Land Transport	<ul> <li>Land Transport (ADR / RID)</li> <li>UN N°: UN2800</li> <li>Classification ADR / RID: Class 8</li> <li>Proper Shipping Name: BATTERIES, WET, NON-SPILLABLE electric storage</li> <li>Packing Group ADR: not assigned</li> <li>Label Required: Corrosive</li> <li>ADR / RID: New and spent batteries are exempt from all ADR / RID (special provision 598)</li> </ul>
	Sea Transport	<ul> <li>Sea transport (IMDG Code)</li> <li>UN N°: UN2800</li> <li>Classification: Class 8</li> <li>Proper Shipping Name: BATTERIES, WET, NON-SPILLABLE electric storage</li> <li>Packing Group: III</li> <li>EmS: F-A, S-B</li> <li>Label Required: Corrosive</li> <li>If non-spillable batteries meet the Special Provision 238, they are exempt from all IMDG codes provided that the batteries' terminals are protected against short-circuit.</li> </ul>
	Air Transport	<ul> <li>Air Transport (IATA-DGR)</li> <li>UN N°: UN2800</li> <li>Classification: Class 8</li> <li>Proper Shipping Name: BATTERIES, WET, NON-SPILLABLE electric storage</li> <li>Packing Group: III</li> <li>Label Required: Corrosive</li> <li>If non-spillable batteries meet the Special Provision A67, they are exempt from all IATA-DGR codes provided that the batteries' terminals are protected against short-circuit.</li> </ul>
	All methods of transport	Do not place VRLA batteries inside sealed enclosures. VRLA Batteries emit hydrogen gas which is highly flammable and will form explosive mixtures in air from approx 4% to 76%. This can be ignited by a spark at any voltage, naked flames or other sources of ignition.

### **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Components		
VRLA Battery	Required Markings:	
	X	Crossed-out wheeled bin indicating "SEPARATE COLLECTION" for all batteries and accumulators. Not to be disposed of with general domestic, commercial or industrial waste. Ref: The Batteries Directive 2006/66/EC
	Pb	The <b>Pb</b> symbol indicates the heavy metal content of the battery and enables the lead-acid battery to be sorted for recycling. Ref: The Batteries Directive 2006/66/EC.
	Ê	The International Recycling Symbol, required by law in many countries world-wide to facilitate the identification of secondary batteries and accumulators for recycling. Ref: IEC 61429 : 1995, Marking of secondary cells and batteries with the International Recycling Symbol ISO 7000-1135.



Document:	EVF479
Issue No:	2
Issue Date:	14-Jan-2010
Page	8 of 8

## Valve Regulated Lead-Acid (VRLA) Battery

#### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Components			
VRLA Battery	To ensure observed:	the safe use of VRLA Batteries supplied by Yuasa Battery (UK) Ltd., the following precautions must be	
	• Only trained, competent personnel, who have received special instructions for the hazards and risks, should be allowed to handle VRLA Batteries.		
	• Never short-circuit battery terminals, since sparks and arcs produced can injure personnel and are a fire and explosion hazard.		
	• VRLA Batteries emit hydrogen gas which is highly flammable and will form explosive mixtures in air from approx 4% to 76%. Never install VLRA Batteries in a gas-tight enclosure, whether during storage, transport or usage.		
	<ul> <li>Batteries must always be charged on a voltage-regulated charging system with adequate ventilation provided to avoid the build-up of ignitable gases and to promote good heat dissipation.</li> </ul>		
	• Do not charge VLRA Batteries above + 50 °C, discharge or store above + 60 °C.		
	tempera detected	extreme conditions of charging equipment malfunction and/or battery failure, high voltage and high ature conditions may occur causing the evolution of Hydrogen Sulphide (H <sub>2</sub> S) gas, which is toxic. If d by its odour of rotten eggs (at extremely low concentrations), switch off the charging equipment, evacuate connel from the area and ventilate well. Seek advice before attempting to re-start charging.	
Risk Phrases	R21	Harmful in contact with skin	
	R22	Harmful if swallowed	
	R23	Toxic by inhalation	
	R24	Toxic in contact with skin	
	R25	Toxic if swallowed	
		Causes severe burns	
	R35	Causes severe builts	
	R35 R36	Irritating to eyes	
	R36	Irritating to eyes	
	R36 R37	Irritating to eyes       Irritating to respiratory system	
	R36 R37 R38	Irritating to eyes         Irritating to respiratory system         Irritating to skin	