

**Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods  
and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification  
and Labelling of Chemicals**

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**Recommendations made by the Sub-Committee on its forty-third, forty-fourth and forty-fifth sessions and pending issues: electric storage systems**

**Consideration of what constitutes “Equipment”**

**Transmitted by PRBA – The Rechargeable Battery Association and the European Association for Advanced Rechargeable Batteries (RECHARGE)**

Modify subparagraph (f) of Special Provision 188 as follows:

(f) ~~Except for packages containing button cell batteries installed in equipment (including circuit boards), or no more than four cells installed in equipment or no more than two batteries installed in equipment, e~~Each package shall be marked with the following:

- (i) an indication that the package contains “lithium metal” or “lithium ion” cells or batteries, as appropriate;
- (ii) an indication that the package shall be handled with care and that a flammability hazard exists if the package is damaged;
- (iii) an indication that special procedures shall be followed in the event the package is damaged, to include inspection and repacking if necessary; and
- (iv) a telephone number for additional information;

This requirement does not apply to:

packages containing only button cell batteries installed in equipment (including circuit boards);

packages containing no more than four cells or two batteries installed in equipment, where there are not more than two packages in the consignment;