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**Electric storage systems: transport provisions**

 Phone Number on Lithium Battery Mark

 Transmitted by PRBA – The Rechargeable Battery Association and RECHARGE the Advanced Rechargeable & Lithium Batteries Association[[1]](#footnote-2)

 Introduction

1. Our paper removes the phone number requirement from the lithium battery mark in 5.2.1.9.2 and Figure 5.2.5 but still authorizes the use of the phone number until 31 December 2026 to allow shippers the opportunity to exhaust their current inventory of marks and packages containing the marks. Based on written comments on ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2020/48 that were received from the Netherlands and Sweden during the online informal discussions of the Sub-Committee in June 2020, the transitional language authorizing use of the phone number until 31 December 2026 has been modified to be consistent with similar language found in packing instructions P650 and P904.

 Proposal

2. Amend Figure 5.2.5 as follows:

- Remove the two asterisks (\*\*) on the lithium battery mark

- Remove note *\*\* Place for telephone number for additional information* that is referenced immediately below the lithium battery mark

3. Amend 5.2.1.9.2 by adding underlined sentence (Note) below at end of the paragraph:

 “The mark shall indicate the UN number, preceded by the letter “UN”, i.e. “UN 3090” for lithium metal cells or batteries or “UN 3480” for lithium ion cells or batteries. Where the lithium cells or batteries are contained in, or packed with, equipment the UN number, preceded by the letters “UN”, i.e. “UN 3091” or “UN 3481” as appropriate shall be indicated. Where a package contains lithium cells or batteries assigned to different UN numbers, all applicable UN numbers shall be indicated on one or more marks.

**NOTE**: The mark shown in Figure 5.2.5 in 5.2.1.9 of the twenty-first revised edition of the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Model Regulations, may continue to be applied until 31 December 2026.”

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1. 2020 (A/74/6 (Sect.20) and Supplementary, Subprogramme 2) [↑](#footnote-ref-2)