5 BEST PRACTICES FOR BATTERY MAINTENANCE

Forklifts are a critical component to your operation, whether you have one truck or an entire fleet. To keep your warehouses and distribution centers running at peak performance — no matter if you're running around the clock or looking to maintain your fleet during slower times — your lift trucks need reliable power. Here are five best practices that can help you properly care for your forklift batteries and improve your bottom line.





INSPECT

Keep the battery clean, dry and free from corrosion. Inspect your battery for any defects or malfunctions and have your service provider repair them as needed.



MAINTAIN PROPER WATER LEVELS

The correct water level is about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the battery cap opening. Do not overfill and only fill batteries at the end of the charging.



MONITOR YOUR BATTERY'S TEMPERATURE

Avoid overheating, overdischarge and other conditions that can cause battery damage, shorten the life of your battery or void battery warranties.



COLLECT DATA

Analyzing battery data is crucial for fleet management. Systems such as iBATTERY™ automatically monitor key battery parameters and provides valuable information like battery-state-of-charge, water level, battery temperature and more.



SERVICE

Make sure to schedule semiannual battery service with your local service representative to prolong the life of your batteries and forklifts.

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