

COMPARATIVE STUDY OF SECONDARY BATTERIES

Specifications	Lead Acid	NiCD/ NiMH	VRFB (Vanadium)	Lithium-ion (LFP and NMC)	Sodium-Ion	MPGA
Weight Energy Density (Wh/kg)	30-50	45-80/ 60-120	20-40	150-300	140-160	428
Power Density (Wh/L): Volumetric energy density	20-50	100-200/ 140-300	40-80	250-300	250-375	625
Life Cycle (80% discharge)	200-2,000	2,000-2,500/ 700-1,000	5,000-15,000	500-2,000	5,000+	45,000
Life Span (in years)	8	Up to 5	20-25	10	5-10	20-40
High Efficiency	70-90%	70%/ 66-92%	80-90%	80-95%	90%	94.1%
Fast-Charge Time	8-16h	1-2h/ 2-4h	4-8h	1h or less	15 min	Less than 10 min
Overcharge Tolerance	High	Low	High	Low, Overheat	Moderate	High
Self-Discharge/month (25°C room temp)	10-15% Loss	20-30%	<1%	<10%	1-2%	<0.3%
Cell Voltage (nominal)	3.7V	1.2V	1.4V	3.3-3.8V	2.0-3.7V	3.75V
Charge Cutoff Voltage (V/cell)	2.40V Float 2.25	Full charge detection by voltage signature	1.75V	4.20V	4.00V	4.20V
Discharge Cutoff Voltage (V/cell, 1C)	1.75V	1.00V	1.20V	2.50-3.00V	2.00V	3.00V
Charge Temperature	-20 to 50°C (-4 to 122°F)	0 to 45°C (32 to 113°F)	-5 to 45°C (32 to 113°F)	0 to 45°C (32 to 113°F)	0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F)	-20 to 85°C (-4 to 248° F)
Discharge Temperature	-20 to 50°C (-4 to 122°F)	-20 to 65°C (-4 to 149°F)	-20 to 50°C (-4 to 122°F)	-20 to 60°C (-4 to 140°F)	-20 to 60°C (-4 to 140°F)	-20 to 85°C (-4 to 248° F)
Weight (Kg/1KWh)	20-33kg	12.5-16.7kg	25-50kg	4-7kg	6.6-7.5kg	2.3kg
Maintenance Requirement	3-6 Months (topping charge)	30-90 days (discharge)	Not required	Not required	Low Maintenance	None
Safety Requirements	Thermally stable	Thermally stable, fuse protection common	Thermally stable	Protection circuit mandatory	Thermally stable	None
In Use Since	Late 1800s	1950/ 1990	1995	1996	1990	2013
Toxicity	Highly Hazardous Metal and Acid	Caution	Safe	Hazardous	Less Hazardous than Li-Ion	None
Cost (per 1KWh)	\$100-300	\$93-200	\$400-800	\$130-150	\$100-200	Less than \$80