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**EN 50342-2:2019 (E)****1 Scope**

This document is applicable to lead-acid batteries used for starting, lighting and ignition of passenger automobiles and light commercial vehicles with a nominal voltage of 12 V.

All batteries in accordance with this document can be fastened to the vehicle either by means of the ledges around the case or by means of a hold-down device engaging with the lid.

**2 Normative references**

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 50342-1, *Lead-acid starter batteries - Part 1: General requirements and methods of test*

IEC 60050-482, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Part 482: Primary and secondary cells and batteries*

IEC 60417, *Graphical Symbols for use on Equipment*

ISO 11469, *Plastics — Generic identification and marking of plastics products*

ISO 1043-1, *Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms — Part 1: Basic polymers and their special characteristics*

**3 Terms and definitions**

For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-482 apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

**4 General requirements****4.1 General**

The following specifications are common to all vehicle batteries, not only for the batteries of this standard.

**4.2 Marking****4.2.1 Safety labelling**

The batteries shall bear the six coloured safety symbols in accordance with EN 50342-1.

**4.2.2 Marking of the polarity of terminals****4.2.2.1 General**

The batteries shall be marked with signs for both polarities that have to be positioned near to or on the top face of the terminals.

**4.2.2.2 Marking of positive terminals**

This marking shall take the form of the symbol “+” either on the upper surface of the positive terminal or on the lid adjacent to the positive terminal.



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