

## Dry-Cell Battery Management Evolves – It Will Be as Easy as “1-2-3”

At the beginning of 2010, new U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations about the management of dry-cell batteries throughout the United States will go in effect. Because dry-cell batteries can short circuit and catch fire while being transported, the DOT will require enclosing each hazardous dry-cell battery in a plastic bag to cover its terminals prior to transport.

Figuring out how to manage batteries under this new regulation can be as easy as “1-2-3.” **One (1)**, throw alkaline (non-hazardous and use-once) dry-cell batteries into the trash; **two (2)**, recycle rechargeable batteries using Call2Recycle® drop-off boxes; and **three (3)**, take all other types of batteries to a household hazardous waste disposal program where they will be properly bagged and managed as hazardous waste. Additional details about proper battery management can found below.



\*\*\*Note: Batteries that can be recycled under the Call2Recycle® Program can be brought to the Recycling Center during recycling hours.