

## SolarMax Energy Systems

# What are the fire protection requirements for energy storage batteries



## Overview

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NFPA 855, “Standard for the Installation of Energy Storage Systems”, provides guidelines and requirements for the safe design, installation, operation, and maintenance of energy storage systems. What are the requirements for fire protection of energy storage systems?

The standard offers comprehensive criteria for the fire protection of energy storage system (ESS) installations based on the technology used, the setting where the technology is being installed, the size and separation of ESS installations, and the fire suppression and control systems in place.

What are the fire codes for battery energy storage systems?

The model fire codes outline essential safety requirements for both safeguarding Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) and ensuring the protection of individuals. It is strongly advised to include the items listed in the Battery Safety Requirements table (Fig 3) in your Hazardous Mitigation Plan (HMP) for the battery system.

Are battery energy storage systems safe?

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 28, 2025 — Today, the American Clean Power Association (ACP) released a comprehensive framework to ensure the safety of battery energy storage systems (BESS) in every community across the United States, informed by a new assessment of previous fire incidents at BESS facilities.

What are the considerations for fire protection?

At its meeting in December of 2023, the task group discussed the following considerations for fire protection: The hazard for bulk storage or warehouse storage is reduced significantly when compared to ESS since most of the mechanisms that cause thermal runaway are not present. However, the hazard remains considerable.

What is a battery energy storage system?

Battery energy storage systems (BESS) stabilize the electrical grid, ensuring a steady flow of power to homes and businesses regardless of fluctuations from varied energy sources or other disruptions. However, fires at some BESS installations have caused concern in communities considering BESS as a method to support their grids.

Do I need a sprinkler system for a battery ESS?

A: Testing has shown that water is the most effective agent for cooling for a battery ESS. For this reason, a sprinkler system designed in accordance with NFPA 13, Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems, is required by NFPA 855, Standard for the Installation of Energy Storage Systems.

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Fire protection requirements for energy storage equipment include: compliance with national and local codes, installation of appropriate fire suppression systems, continuous ...

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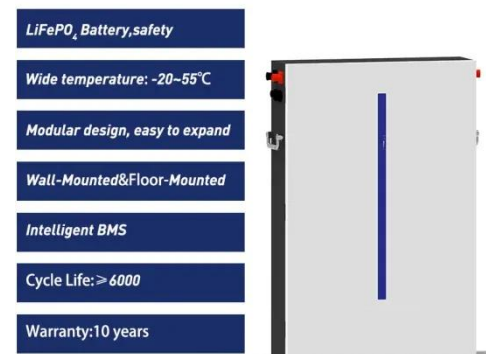
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### PAS 63100:2024 Fire Protection Battery Storage ...

PAS 63100 - Protection Against Fire of Battery Energy Storage Systems PAS 63100:2024 provides the specification for protecting electrical battery energy ...

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### Essential Fire Safety Tips for Battery Energy Storage ...

Consult with a fire detection expert to help make the best choice. Lithium battery storage is essential to your facility's operations, but it can also ...

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## Current Protection Standards for Lithium-Ion Batteries: ...

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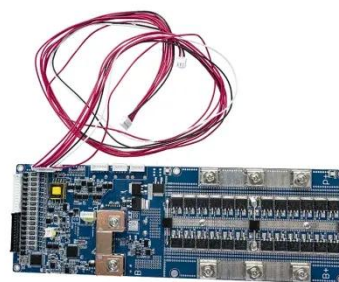
As the world increasingly turns to lithium-ion batteries (Li-ion) for energy storage and power solutions, fire safety has become a critical concern. Lithium-ion batteries are widely used in ...

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## Fire Inspection Requirements for Battery Energy ...

NFPA 855: Standard for the Installation of Stationary Energy Storage Systems: This standard provides requirements for the installation and maintenance of ...

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## Codes and Standards Governing Battery Safety and Compliance ...

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safety requirements for both safeguarding Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) and ensuring the protection of individuals.

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## Fire Suppression for Battery Energy Storage Systems

As demand for electrical energy storage systems (ESS) has expanded, safety has become a critical concern. This article examines lithium ...

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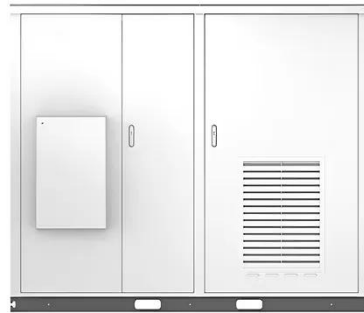
## Understanding NFPA 855: Fire Protection for Energy Storage

As energy storage systems become increasingly integral to the energy grid,

it's essential that fire safety remains a top priority. NFPA 855 provides a comprehensive ...

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## National Fire Protection Association BESS Fact Sheet

The table below, which summarizes information from a 2019 Fire Protection Research Foundation (FPRF) report, "Sprinkler Protection Guidance for Lithium-Ion Based Energy Storage ...

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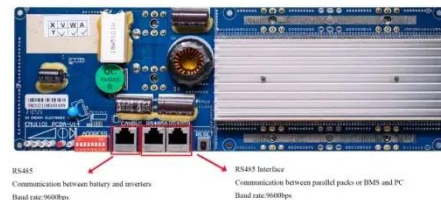
they can be used for battery backup for a single-family home or provide peak shaving for the entire electrical grid. Chapter 12 was added ...

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## NFPA 855 Compliance , Lithium-Ion , MicroWatt Controls

Lithium-ion battery ESSs should incorporate adequate explosion prevention protection (i.e. detection and mitigative action) as required in NFPA 855 or ...

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## Clause 10.3 Energy Storage Systems

This set of fire safety requirements applies to ESS which supply electrical energy at a future time to the local power loads, to the utility grid, or for grid support.

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## White Paper Ensuring the Safety of Energy Storage Systems

Ensuring the Safety of Energy Storage Systems Thinking about meeting ESS requirements early in the design phase can prevent costly redesigns and product launch delays in the future.

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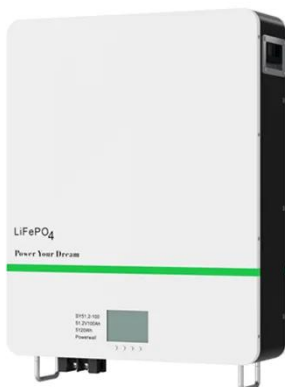
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### WAC 51-54A-0322:

322.4.2.2 Construction requirements. Where indoor storage areas for lithium-ion and lithium metal batteries are located in a building with other uses, battery storage areas shall be separated ...

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## Codes & Standards Draft - Energy Storage Safety

A new standard that will apply to the design, performance, and safety of battery management systems. It

includes use in several application areas,  
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## Battery Energy Storage Systems: Main Considerations for Safe

This webpage includes information from first responder and industry guidance as well as background information on battery energy storage systems (challenges & fires), BESS ...

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## DS 5-33 Lithium-Ion Battery Energy Storage Systems (Data

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1.0 SCOPE This data sheet describes loss prevention recommendations for the design, operation, protection, inspection, maintenance, and testing of stationary lithium-ion battery (LIB) energy ...

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