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1. SCOPE

This specification governs the performance of the following GP Nickel-Metal Hydride Cylindrical Cell and its stack-up batteries.

GP Model: GP270AAHC

Cell Size: AA

The data involving nominal voltage and the approximate weight of stack-up batteries shall be equal to the value of the unit cell multiplied by the number of unit cells in the battery. For example, a stack-up battery consists of three unit cells:

Nominal Voltage of unit cell = 1.2V

Thus, nominal voltage of stack-up battery = 1.2V x 3 = 3.6V

For batteries which has 2 cells or above per pack, capacity may not have the below stated minimum capacity due to increased in impedance from inter-cell connection and protection components.

2. RATINGS

Notes : Standard Charge / Discharge Conditions:

Charge : 255mA (0.1C) x 16hrs

Discharge : 510mA (0.2C) to 1.0V/cell

| Description | Unit | Specification | Conditions |
|-----------------------------|------|-----------------------------|--|
| Nominal Voltage | V | 1.2 | Unit cell |
| Typical Capacity | mAh | 2,550 | Standard Charge/ Discharge |
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| Minimum Capacity | mAh | 2,550 (Unit cell) | Standard Charge/ Discharge |
| Standard Charge | mA | 255 (0.1C) | T _a = 0~ 45°C (see Note 1) |
| | hour | 16 | |
| Fast Charge | mA | 2,550 (1C) | dT/dt = 0.8-1°C/minute -ΔV = 0 ~ 5mV/cell Timer CutOff =100% input capacity (for ref.only) Temp. CutOff =45 - 50°C T _a = 10 ~ 45°C |
| | hour | 1.0 approx. (see Note 2) | |
| Trickle Charge | mA | 128(0.05C) ~ 255(0.1C) | T _a = 0 ~ 45°C |
| Discharge Cut-off Voltage | V | 1.0 | Unit cell |
| Maximum Discharging Current | mA | 7,650(3C) | T _a = -20 ~ 50°C |
| Storage Temperature | | -20 ~ 35°C | |
| Typical Weight | gram | 31.0 | Unit cell |

3. PERFORMANCE

Unless otherwise stated, tests should be done within one month after receipt under the following conditions :

Ambient Temperature, T_a : $20 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$ and
Relative Humidity : $65 \pm 20\%$.

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| Test | Unit | Specification | Conditions | Remarks |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| Capacity | mAh | $\geq 2,550$ (Unit cell) | Standard Charge/Discharge | Up to 3 cycles are allowed |
| Open Circuit Voltage (OCV) | V | ≥ 1.25 | Within 1hr after standard charge | Unit cell |
| Internal Impedance (R_i) | m Ω | ≤ 28 | Upon fully charge (1kHz) | Unit cell |
| High Rate Discharge (0.5C) | min | ≥ 108 (Unit cell) | Standard Charge, 1hr rest before discharge | |
| High Rate Discharge (1C) | min | ≥ 51 (Unit cell) | Standard Charge, 1hr rest before discharge | |
| Overcharge | N/A | No leakage nor explosion | 250mA (0.1C) charge 1 year | |
| Charge Retention | mAh | $\geq 1,785$ | Standard Charge, Storage: 6monthsdays, Standard Discharge | |
| | | $\geq 1,275$ | Standard Charge, Storage: 12 months, Standard Discharge | |
| IEC Cycles Test | Cycle | > 300 | IEC 61951-2 | (see Note 3) |
| Accelerated Cycle Life | Cycle | ≥ 150 | Charge: 2,500mA (1C), Discharge: 2,500mA (1C) to 1.0V/cell, Rest: 1 hour End - of - life: 80% nominal capacity. (Standard charge / discharge) | Cycling Charging CutOff condition: - $\Delta V = 5\text{mV/cell}$ |

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| Test | Unit | Specification | Conditions | Remarks |
|------------------------|------|---|---|-----------|
| Leakage | N/A | No leakage nor deformation | Fully charged at 2,550mA (1C), stand for 14 days | |
| External Short Circuit | N/A | No fire and no explosion. | After standard charge, short circuit the cell(s) at 20+/-5 until the cell(s) temperature returns to ambient temperature. (The resistance of the inter-connecting circuitry shall not exceed 0.1 ohm.) | |
| Vibration Resistance | N/A | Change of voltage should be under 0.02V/cell, Change of impedance should be under 5 milli-ohm/cell. | Charge the battery 0.1C 16hrs, then leave for 24hrs, check battery before / after vibration, Amplitude: 1.5mm Vibration: 3000CPM Any direction for 60mins. | Unit cell |
| Impact Resistance | N/A | Change of voltage should be under 0.02V/cell, Change of impedance should be under 5 milli-ohm/cell. | Charge the battery 0.1C 16hrs, then leave for 24hrs, check battery before / after dropped, Height : 50cm Wooden board (thickness 30mm) Direction not specified, 3 times. | Unit cell |

4. CONFIGURATION, DIMENSIONS AND MARKINGS

Please refer to the attached data sheet.

5. EXTERNAL APPEARANCE

The cell / battery shall be free from cracks, scars, breakage, rust, discoloration, leakage nor deformation.

6. WARRANTY

One (1) year limited warranty against workmanship and material defects.

7. CAUTION

1. Batteries should be charged prior to use.
2. For charging methods please referred to our technical handbook.
3. Use the correct charger for Ni-Cd or Ni-MH batteries.
4. Do not reverse charge batteries..
5. Do not subject batteries to adverse condition such as extreme temperature, deep cycling and excessive

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over charge/over discharge.

6. Avoid batteries being used in an airtight compartment. Ventilation should be provided inside the battery compartment; otherwise batteries may generate hydrogen gas, which could cause an explosion if exposed to an ignition source..
7. Do not attempt to take batteries apart or subject them to pressure or impact. Heat may be generated or fire may result. The alkaline electrolyte is harmful to eyes and skin, and it may damage clothing upon contact.
8. Keep away from children. If swallowed, contact a physician at once.
9. Do not short circuit batteries, permanent damage to batteries may result.
10. Do not incinerate or mutilate batteries, may burst or release toxic material.
11. Do not solder directly to cells or batteries.
12. Store batteries in a cool dry place.
13. If find any noise, excessive temperature or leakage from a battery, please stop its use.
14. When not using a battery, disconnect it from the device.
15. When using a new battery for the first time or after long term storage, please fully charge the battery before use.
16. Do not mix new batteries in use with semi-used batteries, over-discharge may occur.
17. When connecting a battery pack to a charger, ensure correct polarity.
18. When the battery is hot, please do not touch it and handle it, until it has cooled down.
19. Do not remove the outer sleeve from a battery pack nor cut into its housing.
20. When find battery power down during use, please switch off the device to avoid over discharge.
21. Unplug a battery by holding the connector itself and not by pulling at its cord.
22. After use, if the battery is hot. Before recharging it, allow it to cool in a well-ventilated place out of direct sunlight.
23. Never put a battery into water or seawater.
24. In order to maintain satisfactory cell/battery performance when being stored under extending period of time, cycling (i.e. charging and discharging) of the cell / battery within 6 months period is highly recommended. At least one times cycling should be conducted within one year.

- Notes :
1. T_a : Ambient Temperature
 2. Approximate charge time from discharged state, for reference only.
 3. IEC 61951-2 Cycle Life Test :

| Cycle No. | Charge | Rest | Discharge |
|--|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1 | 0.1C x 16hrs | none | 0.25C x 2hrs20mins |
| 2 - 48 | 0.25C x 3hrs10mins | none | 0.25C x 2hrs20mins |
| 49 | 0.25C x 3hrs10mins | none | 0.25C to 1.0V/cell |
| 50 | 0.1C x 16hrs | 1- 4hr(s) | 0.2C to 1.0V/cell |
| Cycles 1 to 50 shall be repeated until the discharge duration on any 50th cycle becomes less than 3hrs | | | |