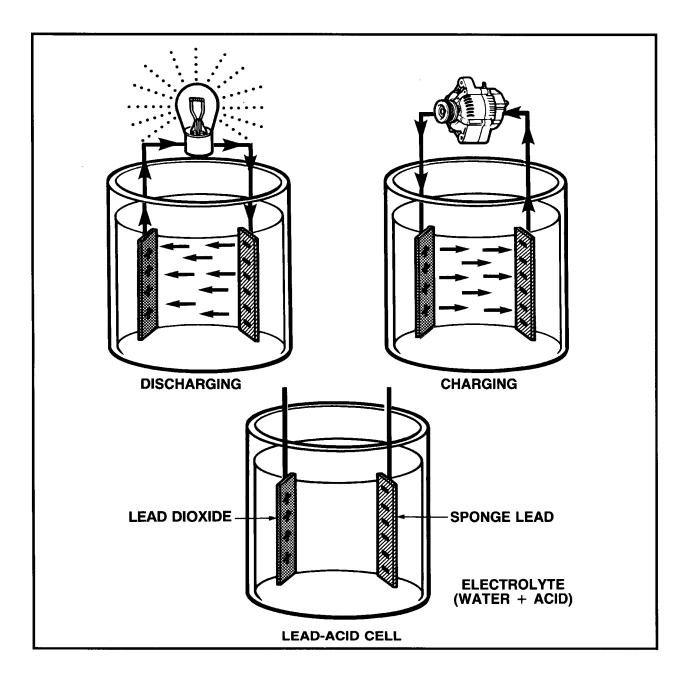
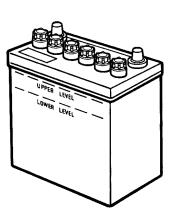
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THE BATTERY



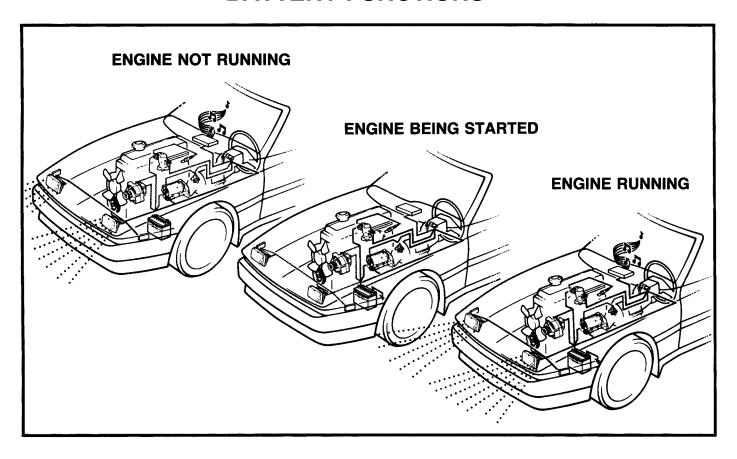
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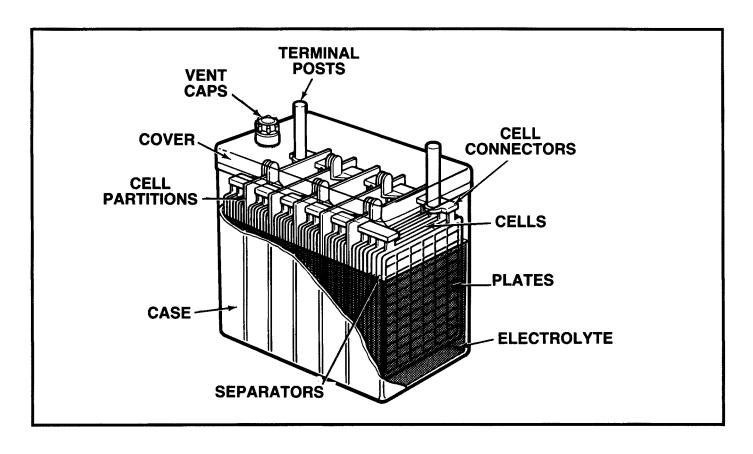
The Battery

The battery converts chemical energy into electrical energy. It is the main source of electrical energy on Toyota vehicles when the engine is not running or is being started. Five systems depend on the energy produced: starting, ignition, charging, lighting, and accessory.

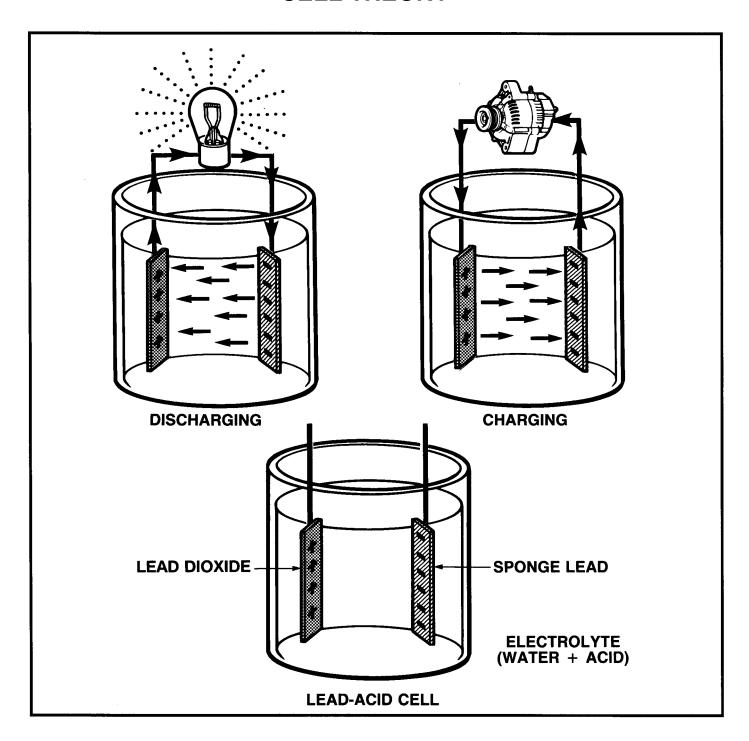
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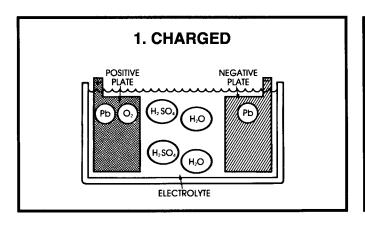
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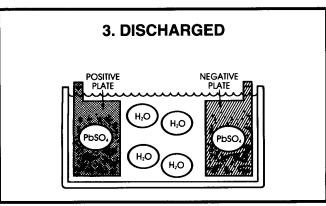


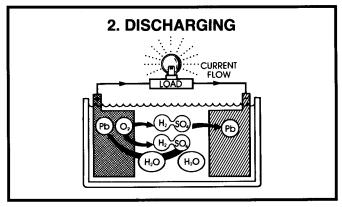
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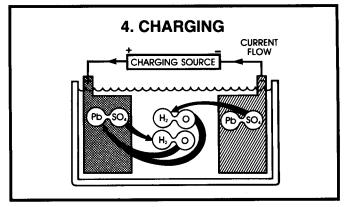


ELECTRO-CHEMICAL REACTION









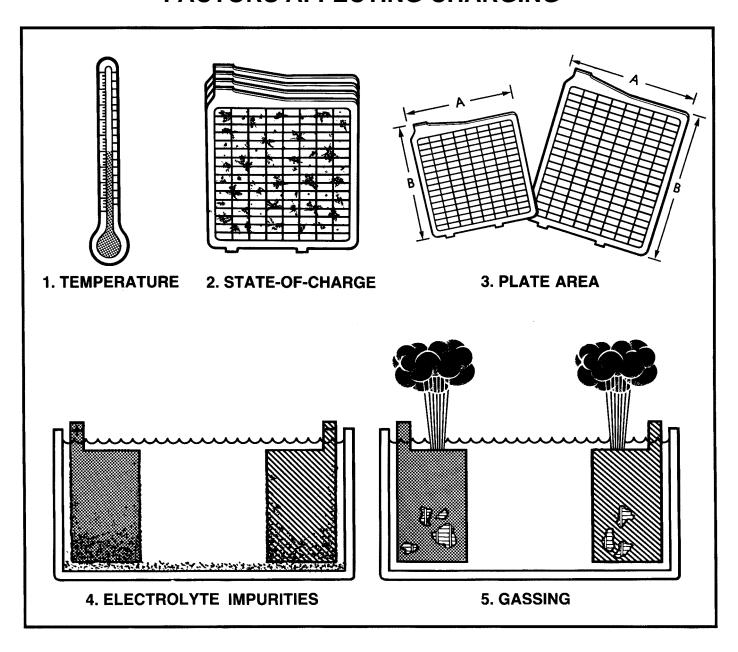
Capacity Ratings

The battery must be capable of cranking the engine and providing adequate reserve capacity. Its capacity is the amount of electrical energy the battery can deliver when fully charged. Capacity is determined by the size and number of plates, the number of cells, and the strength and volume of electrolyte.

The most commonly used ratings are:

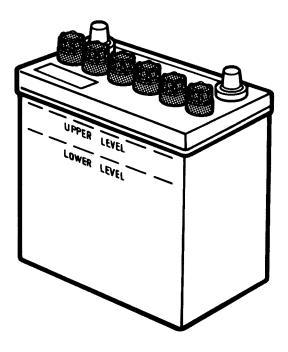
- Cold Cranking Amperes (CCA)
- Reserve Capacity (RC)
- Amp-Hours (AH)
- Power (Watts)

FACTORS AFFECTING CHARGING



CAUSES OF BATTERY FAILURE

electrolyte level exposes active material, and any sulfate hardens and resists chemical action. Loss of electrolyte may be caused by a cracked case, poor maintenance (not adding water when needed), or severe overcharging which causes high internal heat and excessive gassing. Too much electrolyte is just as bad. Overfilling dilutes the electrolyte and spillage may corrode battery terminals.



corrosion: Spilled electrolyte and condensation from gassing may cause corrosion on terminals, connectors, and metal holddowns/carriers. Such corrosion increases electrical resistance, which reduces available voltage and charging effectiveness. It may also create a current leakage path to allow self-discharge.

CYCLING: Repeated cycling – from fully charged to fully discharged and back – may cause loss of active material from the positive plates. This reduces battery capacity and its useful life.

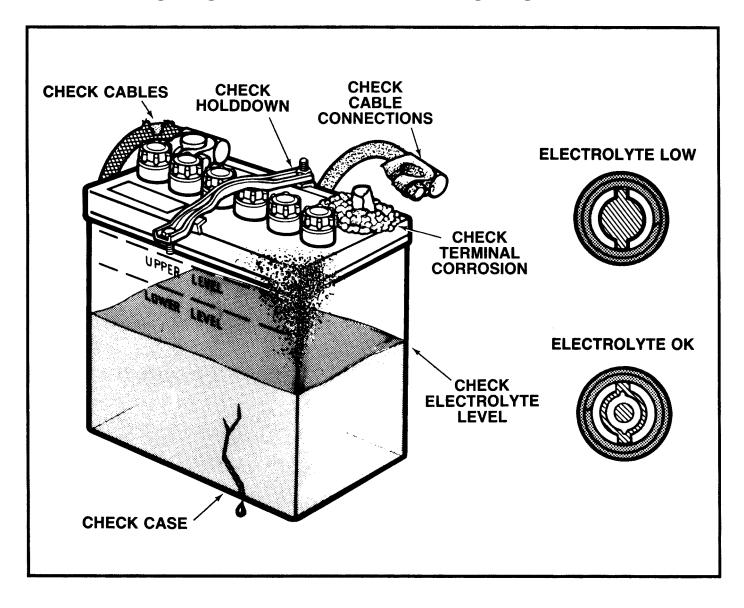
OVERCHARGING: Overcharging by the vehicle's charging system or separate battery charger causes excessive gassing and high internal heat. Too much gassing can wash active materials off the plates, as well as cause excessive water usage. Too much heat can oxidize the positive plate material and warp the plates.

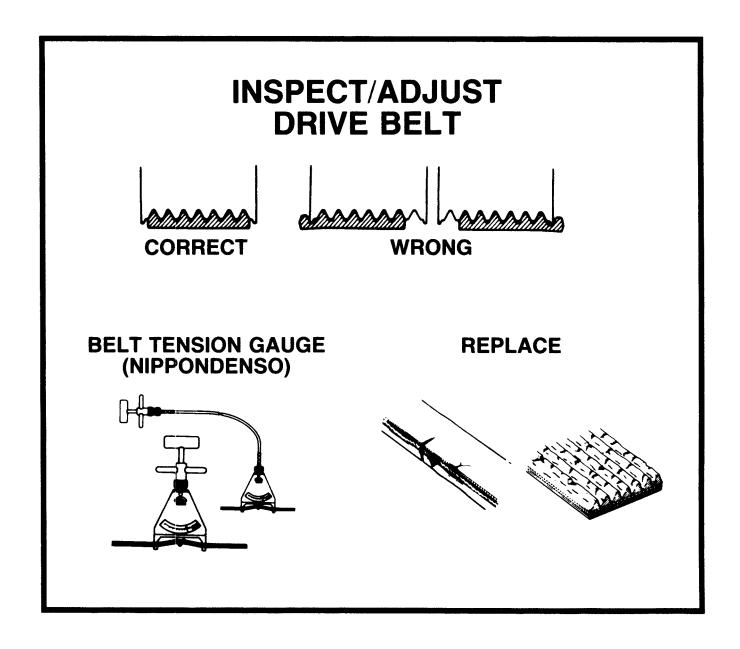
UNDERCHARGING: A faulty charging system will not maintain the battery at full charge. Severe undercharging allows sulfate on the plates to become hard and impossible to remove by normal charging. The weak electrolyte freezes easier. The undercharged battery may fail to crank the engine.

TEMPERATURE: High temperatures from overcharging or engine heat can shorten battery life. Low temperatures can cause freezing of weak electrolyte. At 0°F (-17.8°C), a fully charged battery provides less than half its normal power. At the same time, the cold engine requires twice as much cranking power as it does with normal temperatures. The electrolyte in a fully charged battery will not freeze until -60°F or lower, while the electrolyte in a fully discharged battery will freeze at +18°F.

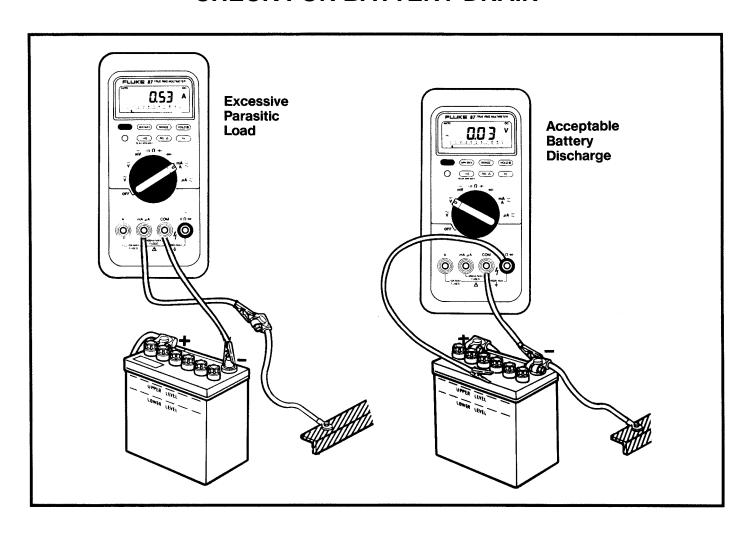
VIBRATION: A battery must be mounted securely. Vibration can loosen connections, crack the case, and damage internal components.

CHECK BATTERY AND ELECTROLYTE

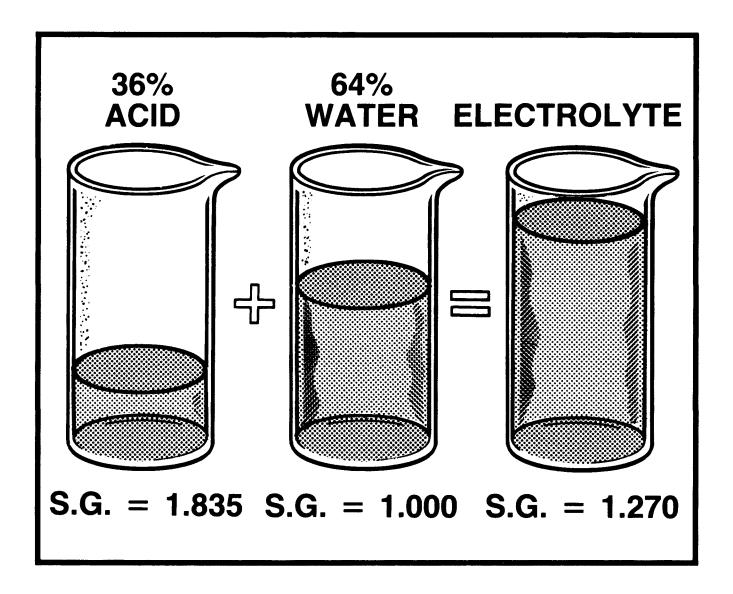




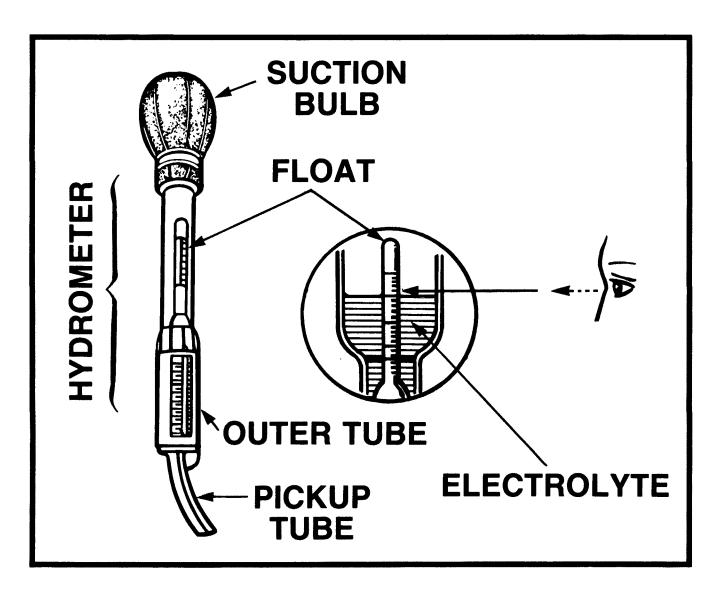
CHECK FOR BATTERY DRAIN



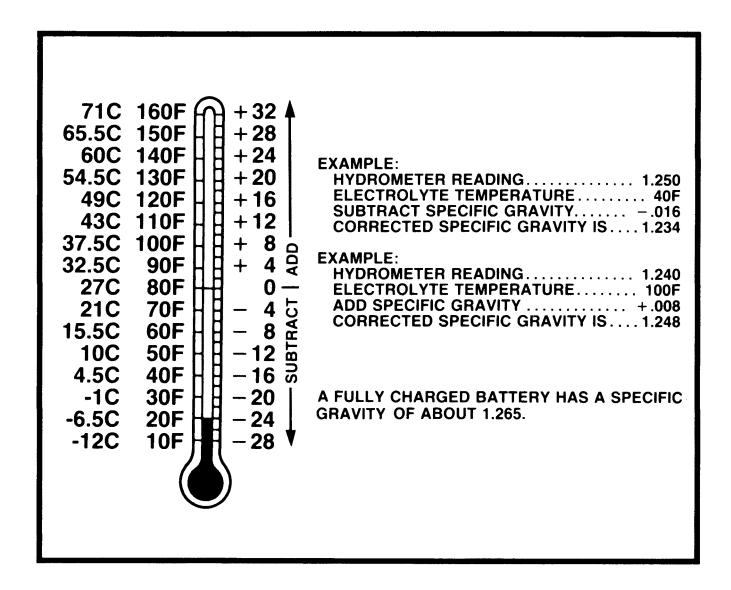
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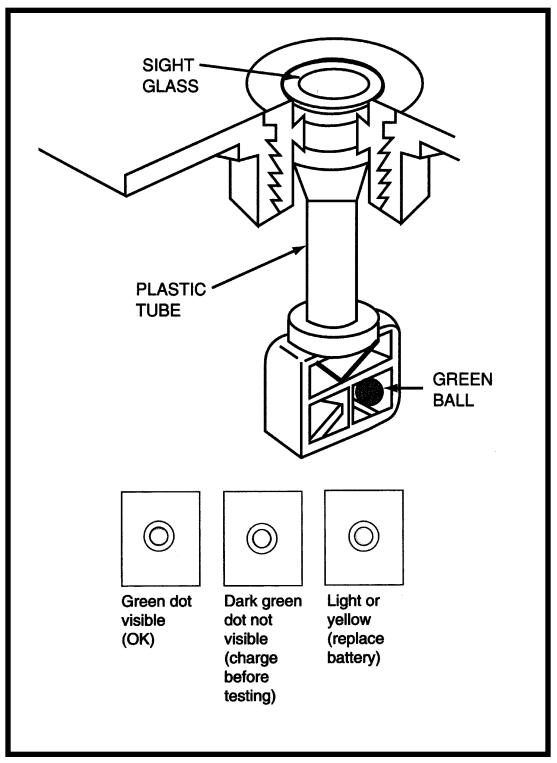
STATE OF CHARGE TEST Specific Gravity



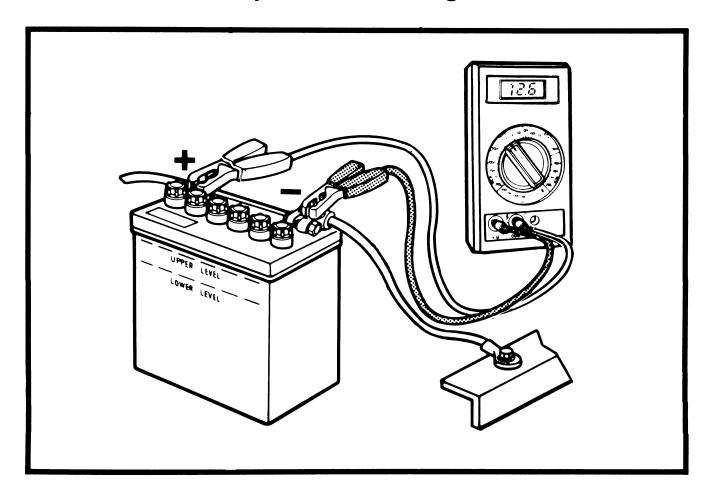
TEMPERATURE CORRECTION



BUILT-IN HYDROMETER



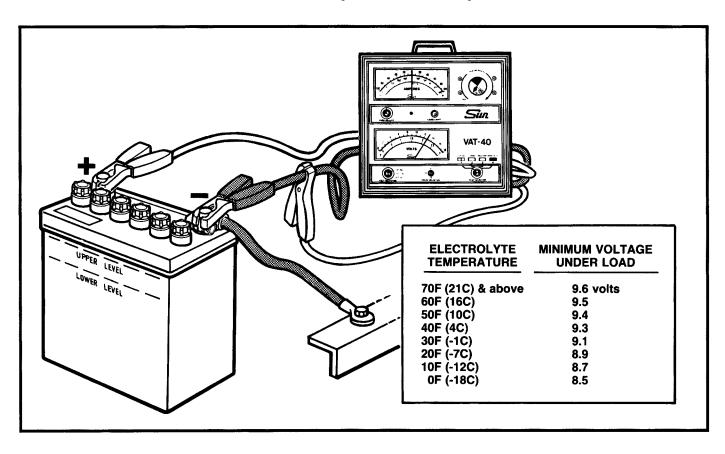
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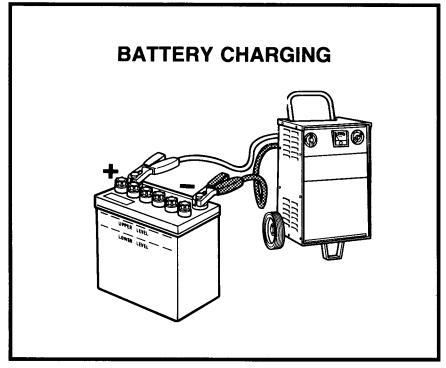
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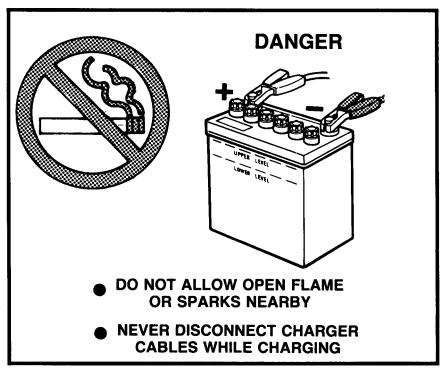
STATE OF CHARGE	SPECIFIC GRAVITY*	OPEN-CIRCUIT VOLTAGE
100%	1.265	12.6
75%	1.225	12.4
50%	1.190	12.2
25%	1.155	12.0
DEAD	1.120	11.9

HEAVY-LOAD (CAPACITY) TEST

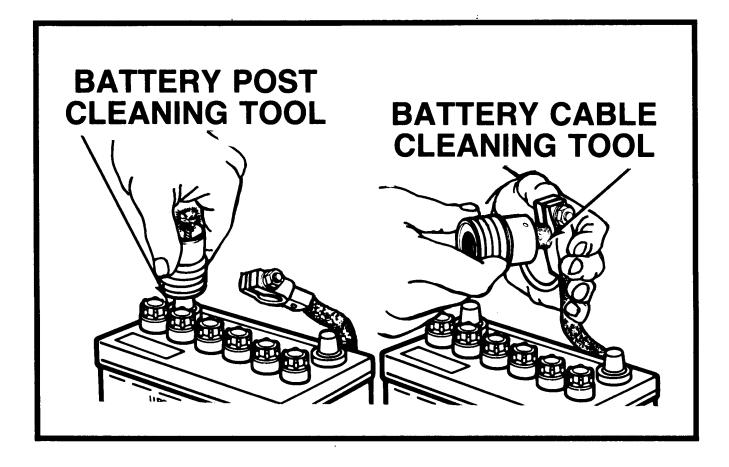


BATTERY SERVICE Charging

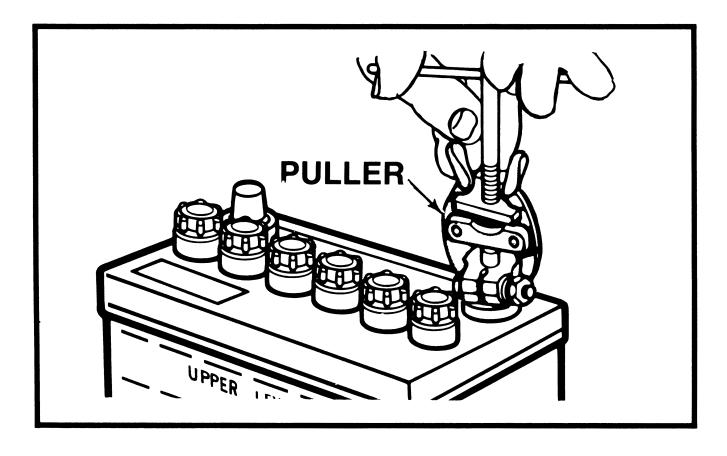




BATTERY SERVICE Cleaning Tools



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BATTERY SERVICE Jumping a Dead Battery

