EU Batteries Regulation (EU) 2023/1542.

At M&S, we want to make it easier for our customers to understand the products they buy and make responsible choices about how they use and dispose of them.

For M&S products containing batteries that are placed on the EU market, we provide battery information in line with the requirements of the EU Batteries Regulation (EU) 2023/1542. The Regulation introduces requirements designed to improve the sustainability, safety, labelling and management of batteries throughout their lifecycle. The requirements cover batteries themselves as well as battery packs supplied as complete units.

As part of these requirements, QR codes can provide customers with easy access to relevant battery information digitally, particularly where all the required information cannot practically be displayed on the battery or its packaging.

If you've scanned a QR code on an M&S product, you'll find more information below to help you understand the battery in your product in this document.

Our Plan A approach

This is part of our wider Plan A approach to using resources responsibly and reducing waste.

At M&S, we're working across our value chain to design out waste and create more circular alternatives for the materials, food and packaging we use. Our approach to circularity recognises the importance of keeping materials in use and reducing waste.

Providing clearer and more accessible battery information supports that approach by helping customers understand what's in their products and how batteries should be handled when they're no longer needed.

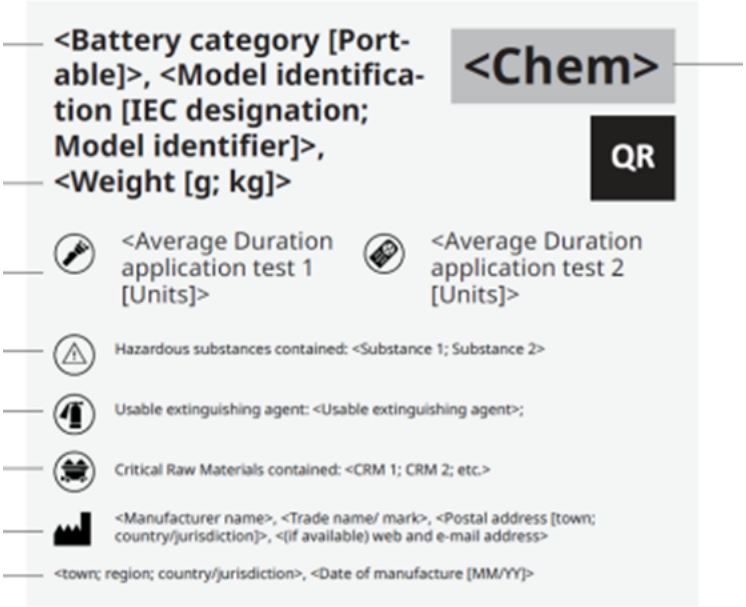
By making this information accessible through a simple QR code, we can help our customers make informed choices and support more responsible use and disposal of battery-powered products.

Understanding your battery

Depending on the battery and product, information provided may include:

- **Battery type and identification**
- **Battery chemistry**
- **Battery weight and capacity**
- **Performance information**, where applicable
- **Whether the battery is rechargeable or non-rechargeable**
- **Hazardous substances contained within the battery**
- **Relevant information about the battery's chemical composition**
- **Manufacturer and manufacturing information**

The draft implementing rules also set out requirements intended to make battery information clear and accessible, including readable labels, high-contrast text and graphics, and accessible information for consumers with disabilities.



Example of the type of battery information that may be provided. The information applicable to individual M&S products will vary by battery type.

Using and disposing of batteries responsibly

Please don't put waste batteries in your general household waste. Batteries should be separated from other waste and taken to an appropriate battery collection or recycling point.

Following the information provided with your product and using the appropriate collection route helps batteries and their materials to be managed responsibly at the end of their useful life.