



NCC Verified Leisure Battery Scheme

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This scheme provides product verification for batteries used in leisure vehicles (touring caravans and motorhomes).

With modern leisure vehicles featuring more technology and electrical appliances than ever before, buying an NCC verified leisure battery gives consumers confidence that the battery they purchase for use is fit for purpose and will perform as advertised. Also, the NCC is encouraging its leisure vehicle member manufacturers to fit NCC verified leisure batteries.

Battery verification comes via a comprehensive, industry leading, testing process conducted by suitably certified and audited test houses. Batteries will be **verified** and **labelled** accordingly, into three categories: A, B and C, depending on their capacity and intended purpose:

- **Category A** is for batteries with a higher storage capacity for people who frequently use their touring caravan or motorhome away from an electrical hook-up:



For motorhomes with higher power consumption but still generally used without electrical hook-up it may be more practical to use multiple batteries from class A to provide the required storage capacity than to specify a single battery of the required capacity.

- **Category B** batteries are aimed at those who frequently use sites with hook-up facilities, but require a greater battery capacity to operate devices such as motor movers:



- **Category C** batteries are for users that require a lower capacity battery to cover basic operation of their habitation equipment for short periods away from an electrical hook-up:



An example of verified and categorised battery labelling

David Reid, NCC Standards and Regulations Adviser, advises that the NCC has been aware that consumers could be getting short changed when purchasing a leisure battery because until now there has been very little guidance on how to match their requirements to the technical specification of the battery. Leisure batteries can cost as much as £200 each so the NCC wants to make sure that when people buy a new battery they get a product that is suitable for their caravan or motorhome and suits their lifestyle.

The scheme is designed to bring transparency to the leisure battery marketplace and help consumers select a product that's right for them. The scheme was started with some of the leading leisure battery brands signed up, including [Banner](#), [Platinum](#) and [Yuasa](#) and more are being brought on board all the time.

John Richards, Platinum OE-OES & Specialist Channel Director, said: "We are excited to start working with the NCC moving forward as we believe the NCC Verified Leisure Battery Scheme is right for the industry and our business".