

How to ship non-standard energy storage containers





Overview

Are battery energy storage systems safe aboard ships?

In recent months, Gard has received numerous inquiries about the safe transportation of battery energy storage systems (BESS) aboard ships. This article addresses some of the key risks, regulatory requirements, and recommendations for shipping such cargo.

What are the different types of energy storage systems?

These systems consist of multiple devices assembled into a single unit capable of storing significant amounts of energy. Among the various types of energy storage systems (ESS), BESS are the most prevalent, especially those utilizing pre-assembled lithium-ion battery modules.

What are energy storage systems (ESS)?

According to the International Energy Agency, energy storage systems (ESS) will play a key role in the transition to clean energy. Sometimes referred to as “energy storage cabinets” or “megapacks”, ESS consist of groups of devices that are assembled together as one unit and that can store large amounts of energy.

What is a battery energy storage system?

Battery energy storage systems (BESS) are the most common type of ESS where batteries are pre-assembled into several modules. BESS come in various sizes depending on their application and their usage is expected to rise considerably in coming years.



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