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### **Summary of Topics**

***This new edition of ANSI/CAN/UL/ULC 2271, Standard for Batteries for Use In Light Electric Vehicle (LEV) Applications, dated September 14, 2023 includes the following changes:***

- ***Modification of the normal operation conditions and cycle number during Temperature Test; [5.2](#), [33.1](#), and [Table 33.1](#)***
- ***Clarification of the scope to better distinguish what is covered under UL/ULC 2271 versus UL/ULC 2580; [1.1](#), [1.4](#), [5.2](#), [6.1](#), [6.2](#), [6.14](#), [6.25](#), [6.29](#), [6.32](#), [6.40](#), [16.2](#), [16.3](#), and [16.8](#)***
- ***Updates to Functional Safety criteria; [6.34](#), [6.35](#), [6.36](#) and [Section 15](#)***
- ***Additional guidance on protection of corrosion between dissimilar metals; [5.2](#), [8.1](#), [8.2](#), [8.4](#), [Annex B](#), [B1](#), and [Table B.1](#)***
- ***Addition of requirements for when repurposed batteries are used; [5.2](#), [Section 16](#), [16.8](#), [Section 46](#), [Annex C](#), and [Table C.1](#)***
- ***Addition of a High Rate Charge Test that evaluates the safety when charging at a rate higher than the specified maximum level, [Table 18.1](#), [Section 21](#), [21.2](#), [Table 21.1](#), and [Section 24](#)***
- ***Addition of the Overload Under Discharge Test to replace the "soft short" in the Short Circuit Test; [6.32](#), [Table 18.1](#), [21.1](#), [21.2](#) and [Section 26](#)***
- ***Addition of a Single Cell Failure Design Tolerance Test for large size batteries; [Table 18.1](#) section [Table 21.1](#) and [Section 45](#).***
- ***Replaced reference to UL 60950-1 with UL 62368-1 throughout the Standard.***
- ***Replaced reference to ISO 12405-1 with ISO 6469-1 throughout the Standard.***
- ***Corrections to Manufacturing and Production Line Testing and inclusion of a 100% check on active controls relied upon for safety; [17.2](#), [17.4](#).***
- ***Addition of a normal operation limit check in Overcharge and Overdischarge Test; [23.3](#), [23.6](#), [27.2](#) and [27.5](#)***
- ***Addition of a grounding continuity test; [Section 14](#) and [Section 32](#)***
- ***Editorial revisions throughout the Standard.***

The new and revised requirements are substantially in accordance with Proposal(s) on this subject dated April 7, 2023 and July 14, 2023.

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## Preface

This is the Third Edition of ANSI/CAN/UL/ULC 2271, Standard for Batteries for Use In Light Electric Vehicle (LEV) Applications.

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