

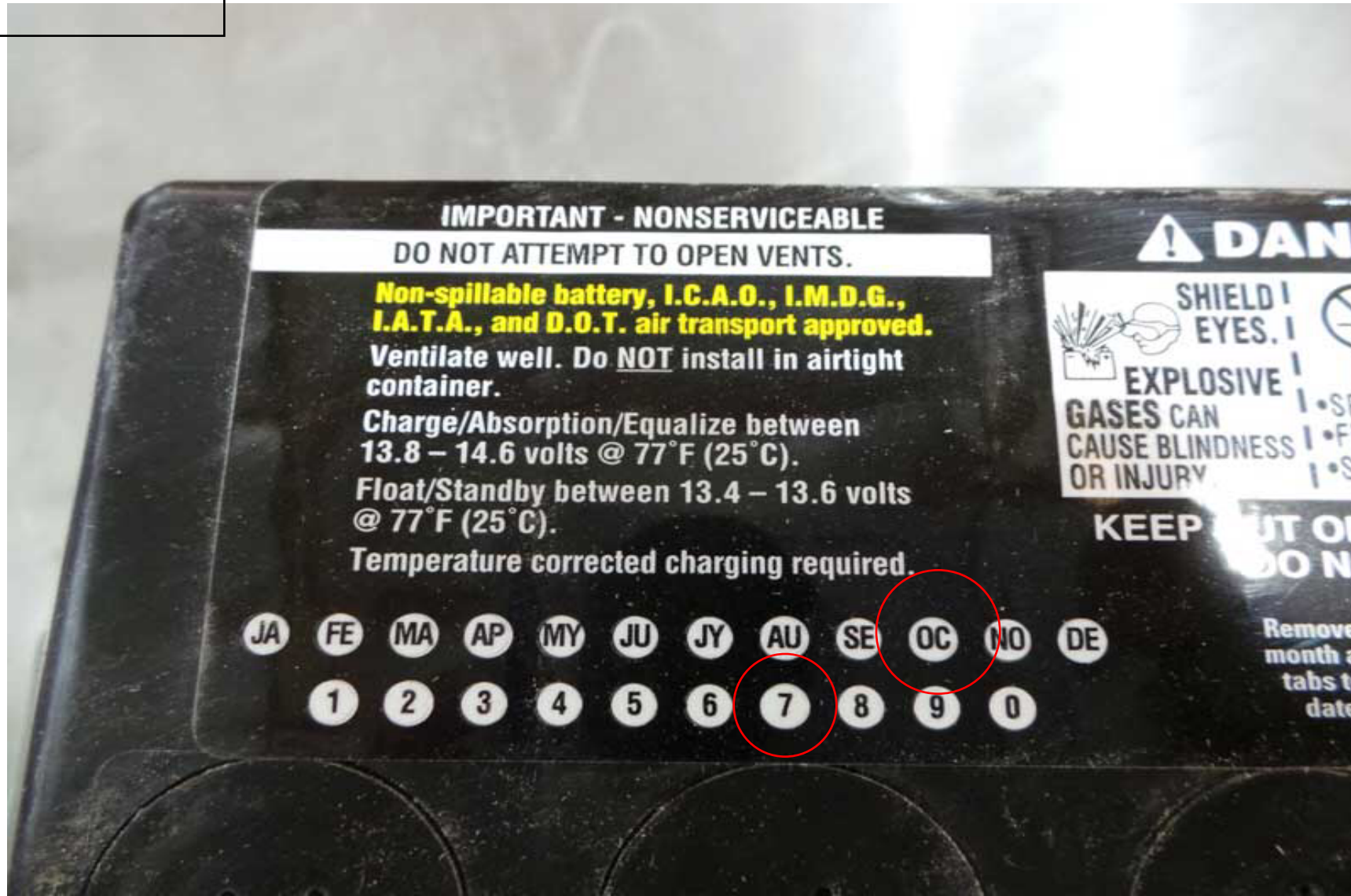
AutoShack Weekly Tip



- Most electrical problems stem from the car's battery.
- It goes without saying that buying a good quality battery is important.
- Not only is it important to buy a good quality battery. It's also important to keep track of the service life of the battery you purchase.
- Battery manufactures usually provide an easy way to doing this.
- For instance, if you purchase a battery and it starts underperforming at or before 6 months, you may be able to speak to the seller to either get a refund or replacement.
- This is also helpful in diagnosing electrical problems. If a new battery is still within its useful life, a technician is less likely to advise you to buy a new battery.
- In today's tip, we discuss how to keep track of battery service life so that you can figure out if the battery has lasted as long as expected when you start getting battery problems.
- Keep in mind that the average age of a battery is about 3 to 4 years.

- Batteries have dating stickers on them that provide a means of recording the purchase date.
- When you purchase the battery, remove the month and year that corresponds to date of purchase.
- For instance if you purchase a battery in October 2017, remove the October and 2017 stickers. See photo on next page.

A battery with dating tags to help track service life. Remove the month and year sticker before use. Here 1 means 2011, 3 means 2013 and so on.



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