What are button batteries?

Button and disc batteries are small, flat and round batteries. They are also known as coin cell or watch batteries.

Common products that use button batteries:

- Hearing aids
- Car key fobs
- Calculators
- Flashlights
- Toys

What is in a single cell battery?

Single cell batteries contain heavy metals including mercury, lithium, zinc and nickel.

Damaged Batteries

Corrosive injuries can occur if these batteries become damaged. Contents of typical cell batteries can damage the mouth, GI tract, skin, and eyes.

Injuries and Prevention

Button and disc batteries can cause life threatening damage without being damaged if swallowed.

Keep all batteries out of reach of children and others who may misuse them.

If a button or disc battery is swallowed seek medical care immediately and call the Poison Helpline for all battery ingestions or suspected exposures to skin and eyes.

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