



The Force of Impact

**Tech Tip
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Models Effected: All Battery Stands

An excessive amount of force is exerted on battery stand compartment rollers when a 2800 lb battery is dropped from a height of just a few inches. This impact can cause substantial damage to the battery compartment rollers, roller shafts, and even the battery stand superstructure. Once the stand's superstructure is damaged, roller failure will occur and will continue to occur until the battery stand is repaired or replaced.

2 Inch Drop

4 Inch Drop

Battery Weight:
> $W = 2800 \text{ lb}$

Force of Gravity in Inches:
> $g = \frac{(32.2 \cdot Ft) \cdot 12 \text{ inches}}{s^2 \cdot 1ft} = \frac{386.4 \text{ inches}}{s^2}$

Distance Battery Drops:
> $l = 2 \text{ inches}$

Battery Mass:
> $m = \frac{w}{g} = \frac{7,24638 \text{ lb } s^2}{\text{inches}}$

Conservation of Energy:
> **Potential Energy = Kinetic Energy**
 $m \cdot g \cdot l = 1/2 \cdot m \cdot v^2$ 5600 lb inches

Velocity at Impact:
> $v = \sqrt{(2 \cdot g \cdot l)}$ $v = 39.3141 \sqrt{(\text{inches}^2/s^2)}$

Impact Momentum:
> $F \cdot \Delta t = m \cdot v$ $.01 F s = \frac{284.885 \text{ lb } s^2 \sqrt{(\text{inches}^2/s^2)}}{\text{inches}}$

Deceleration Time (Seconds):
> $\Delta t = .01 s$

Force of Impact:
> $F = \frac{m \cdot V}{\Delta t}$ $F = \frac{284.885 \text{ lb} \cdot s}{.01 s}$

Force: **28,488 lbs**

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> $W = 2800 \text{ lb}$

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Distance Battery Drops:
> $l = 4 \text{ inches}$

Battery Mass:
> $m = \frac{w}{g} = \frac{7,24638 \text{ lb } s^2}{\text{inches}}$

Conservation of Energy:
> **Potential Energy = Kinetic Energy**
 $m \cdot g \cdot l = 1/2 \cdot m \cdot v^2$ 11200 lb inches

Velocity at Impact:
> $v = \sqrt{(2 \cdot g \cdot l)}$ $v = 55.5986 \sqrt{(\text{inches}^2/s^2)}$

Impact Momentum:
> $F \cdot \Delta t = m \cdot v$ $.01 F s = \frac{402.888 \text{ lb } s^2 \sqrt{(\text{inches}^2/s^2)}}{\text{inches}}$

Deceleration Time (Seconds):
> $\Delta t = .01 s$

Force of Impact:
> $F = \frac{m \cdot V}{\Delta t}$ $F = \frac{402.888 \text{ lb} \cdot s}{.01 s}$

Force: **40,289 lbs**

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