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Are you tired of seeing your electricity bill skyrocket every month? Renewable energy sources, such as solar, are becoming increasingly popular in the quest for affordable power. However, the problem of storing this energy in an affordable way has been a challenging one - until now!

LiFePO₄ batteries offer the answer to all your solar energy storage needs, and in this article, we'll dive deep into why LiFePO₄ offers the best battery chemistry for storing solar energy. We'll also take a closer look at the various battery options available and walk you through the battery set-up process.

Anyone installing a solar array (a collection of solar panels) will require a solar battery to store the excess energy generated from the sun. Any energy generated by your solar system may not be used straight away, so having a decent battery enables you to store the excess energy until you're ready to use it at a later time.

LiFePO₄ batteries have an impressive lifespan, lasting up to 10-15 years (or more!). This is due to their stable chemical structure which reduces the risk of degradation over time. In comparison, lead-acid batteries typically last only 2-3 years.

LiFePO₄ batteries are a safer option for solar energy storage. They are far less prone to thermal runaway, which is a phenomenon where a battery overheats and potentially explodes. LiFePO₄ batteries also have a lower risk of catching fire compared to other lithium-ion batteries and Lead Acid variants.

LiFePO₄ batteries are well known for their low maintenance requirements due to their unique chemistry. Unlike other battery chemistries, LiFePO₄ batteries have a much lower risk of overheating or catching fire. This means there is no need for extensive cooling systems or regular maintenance checks to prevent damage.

Additionally, LiFePO₄ batteries have a longer lifespan compared to other battery types, which means they need to be replaced less frequently. This, in turn, reduces maintenance costs and effort on your part!

The size of solar battery you need in the UK depends on various factors, such as your electricity usage and the size of your solar panels. Generally, a 5-10 kWh battery is a good starting point for a home solar system in the UK. However, you may need a bigger battery if you have a higher energy consumption or want to go completely off-grid.

The cost of building a LiFePO₄ solar battery can vary depending on the needs and wants of the user. However, LiFePO₄ batteries are generally more expensive than other battery chemistries due to their high performance and long lifespan. Investing in the latest battery technology upfront can pay dividends in the future.

On average, a DIY 12v LiFePO₄ solar battery system can cost anywhere from £545 for x4 280ah Grade B



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EVE Cells and a JBD 12v 200A BMS (at Fogstar .uk), through to ?575 for x4 280ah Grade A EVE Cells and a 4-8S JK BMS with Active Balancer.

There are other options too such as the pre-assembled 48v 100ah Fogstar Server Rack Battery for ?1,249.99 which provides just over 5kWh of storage. If you're looking for a large scale system of 15kWh or more, our Rack battery also comes in both a 15kWh and 30kWh Server Rack Bundle, priced at ?3999.99 and ?7999.99 respectively.

The Fogstar Drift range also offer a great storage solution with the most popular options for solar storage being the 24v 280ah LiFePO4 Battery for ?1,349.00, or the 12v 560ah LiFePO4 Fogstar Drift also priced at ?1,499.00.

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