



Syntax Battery & Energy
Storage Composite Index
(SYBENC) Rulebook

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1 Index Objective

The Syntax® Battery and Energy Storage Composite Index (the “Index”) float market cap-weights publicly traded US companies that produce batteries or battery materials or are involved in the clean energy vehicle supply chain. The Index applies screens for thematic purity of exposure, liquidity, and size, and defines business segments including clean energy vehicles, diversified electronic materials, fuel cells and charging stations.

The Index uses company classification data structured in Syntax's proprietary Functional Information System (FIS)®, which draws primarily from audited annual reports (e.g., 10-K filings) and secondarily from unaudited documents (e.g., news articles, company websites) to allow granular groupings and comparisons of companies by the characteristics of their various product lines.

Information regarding the day-to-day calculation and maintenance of this and other Syntax Indices — as well as regarding the definitions of key terms used throughout this and other Syntax Index Rulebooks — is available in an accompanying document, the *Syntax Index Calculations & Adjustments Rulebook*.

2 Index Parameters

Launch Date: 16 December 2022

First Value Date: 18 September 2020

Index Calendar: US (NYSE)

Index Trading Hours: US (NYSE)

Corporate Action Handling: Cap-weight Methods

Regular Dividend Reinvestment: Pro rata Method



Reconstitution: Quarterly — each March, June, September and December (the “Reconstitution Months”)

Rebalancing: Quarterly — each March, June, September and December (the “Rebalancing Months”)

Snapshot Date: The last US trade date before the Rebalancing Month, at the market close

Weight Date: The last US trade date on or before the Wednesday before the second Friday of the Rebalancing Month, at the market close

Rebalance Date: The last US trade date on or before the third Friday of the Rebalancing Month, at the market close

Effective Date: The first US trade date following the third Friday of the Rebalancing Month, at the market open

Inter-Basket Changes: Constituent entities are neither added nor removed in the Rebalancing except as compelled by reasons that could have triggered an Intra-Basket Change had they occurred between Rebalancings. The Constituent security or Constituent listing of a Constituent entity may be replaced in the Rebalancing by another that provides sufficiently equivalent exposure to the same Constituent entity, as per the Administrator's Expert Judgment. Additions and removals of all kinds may be made in the Reconstitution.

Intra-Basket Changes: Index Constituents may be removed at any time due to corporate actions or events severely affecting liquidity, business integrity, or the relevance of business engagement. Except where specified in the *Syntax Index Calculations & Adjustments Rulebook* for handling of corporate actions such as mergers or spinoffs, Index Constituents are not added between Rebalancings.



3 Basket Construction

3.1 Universe

The Index's Universe is drawn from the Syntax US 3000 Index (SY3000). Candidates are identified using Syntax FIS data showing that each has at least 20% Theme Exposure (typically measured as a percentage of revenues, and in some cases reflecting profit or other indicators that are deemed more relevant) from one or more of the following business segments:

- **Batteries:** the manufacture or distribution of batteries for diversified industries including, but not limited to, utilities, automotive, industrial production, or technology.
- **Battery Materials:** the mining of metals and minerals, as well as the production of chemicals or other materials for incorporation into batteries.
- **Diversified Electronic Materials:** the production of diversified electronic materials such as semiconductor components or substrates for incorporation into batteries, as well as other electronic equipment.
- **Clean Energy Vehicles:** the manufacture of electric and other clean energy vehicles and the provision of equipment and services for the electric vehicle industry.
- **Fuel Cells:** the manufacture of fuel cells for diversified industries and the provision of equipment or services for the fuel cell industry.
- **Charging Stations:** the building, operation, or maintenance of electric vehicle charging stations.

3.2 Selection

The Index selects as Constituents all available Candidates from the Universe.



3.3 Weighting

All Constituents are weighted by float-adjusted market capitalization as of the Weight Date, subject to an Index Weight maximum of 4.5%.

4 Index Variants

The Index is calculated in US Dollar (USD) on an end-of-day (EOD) basis by Syntax Indices in the following variants:

Ticker	Name	Return Type	Base Date	Launch Date	Base Level
SYBENC	Syntax Battery & Energy Storage Composite Index	Price Return	18 Sep 2020	16 Dec 2022	1000
SYBENCG	Syntax Battery & Energy Storage Composite Total Return Index	Gross Total Return	18 Sep 2020	16 Dec 2022	1000