

MODIFIED NI-CD CELL ZAPPER

"'Zap' New Life Into Dead Ni-Cd Batteries" (July 1977) was of great interest to me. After building the project, I decided to modify it as shown in the schematic diagram to add what I feel is an extremely desirable feature. My battery "zapper" both zaps and charges Ni-Cd

cells. The 1500-ohm wirewound potentiometer ($R2$) is in the circuit to accommodate the charging current required and to allow the charge rate to be varied for different size cells. The milliammeter is required to provide a means for monitoring the charge current. —Clifford D. Dorman, La Habra, CA.

