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## Yuasa Smart Charger Failures

[I tested eleven (11) of the Yuasa 1500 Smartshot tenders (\$49.95) that all failed within six months. All the tenders' failures were identified by one of three conditions: either the tender went into a constant "charge" mode regardless of the state of the battery, it went into a perpetual "diagnostic" mode, or it did nothing.]

... I have recently switched to the Battery Minder tender made by VDC Electronics ([www.vdcelectronics.com](http://www.vdcelectronics.com)). Their tenders retail for \$59.95. After a year of testing three of their units, I have experienced no failures. Furthermore, their units are more compact (similar to the Battery Tender Junior from Deltran or the Hotshot from Yuasa), and they include a desulphation phase. . . .

-LT Snyder



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