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WEEE Directive

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2006

When does the new law becomes effective?

These Regulations come into force from the 1st July 2007. They cover the Manufacturers & Importers responsibility and obligations concerning the environmentally sound disposal by recycling of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment.

What does this mean to you?

As a result of this Directive the onus falls on the Manufacturers and Importers to cover the initial cost of recycling used lamps. We understand that some of our suppliers will be charging 15-20p PER LAMP (+ VAT) to cover these costs.

Which lamps are affected?

It is not just lamps, but covered under the Regulations are:

- All Fluorescent Lamps.
- All Low Energy and Compact Fluorescent Lamps.
- All Discharge Lamps.

Incandescent (candles/golfballs/GLS) are NOT covered.

What can you do to reduce costs?

We will only pass costs onto our Customers that we are charged. Consider using 'Long Life' type lamps such as Triphosphor Fluorescent Tubes, Philips Masterline or Osram IRC Dichroic lamps, these lamps have a life of approximately 4,000 hrs, compared to 2,000 for the standard lamps.

What other Equipment is affected by the Directive?

All Electronic and Electrical equipment normally used in and around your buildings - Items such as White goods, Computer Hardware & Peripherals etc. For more information see:

<http://www.dti.gov.uk/innovation/sustainability/weee/page30269.html>

We will advise on other specific products that fall within the remit of these regulations as we are advised.