

SECTION FIVE

Maintenance Schedules

Procedure Title: Disposal of Lamps	Item No. 5.8.4
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COSHH Regulations 1988, Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and Disposal of Lamps

The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulation place a duty on employers to ensure that their employees are not exposed to substances hazardous to health, ie. to solids/liquids/gases that are toxic/harmful/corrosive/irritant. Safety guidelines, for example, for concentrations of substances in air, are separately prescribed by the appropriate authorities.

The LIF represents the principal UK manufacturers of lighting equipment. It has produced this statement to clarify the applicability of the COSHH regulations to their products.

Intact Products	Lighting products are finished assemblies without free substances and they comply with separate regulatory requirements that products shall be safe. No special precautions under the above regulations are required during storage, installation or use.
Broken Products	The recommendations below apply to lamps breakages where substances may be released. No problems are foreseen with other lighting products.
Accidental Breakage	If a lamp is accidentally broken, only normal good housekeeping is required to prevent injury from broken glass and the generation of airborne dust when clearing up.
Lamp Breakage	When lamps have been removed from service, the principal hazard is broken glass. This can be prevented by placing them in the packaging provided with the new lamps.