# FLUORESCENT LAMP MATERIAL INFORMATION SHEET

## MATERIAL DATA SAFETY DATA SHEET (MSDS)

#### **INFORMATION AND APPLICABILITY**

The Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) for chemicals are **not** applicable to manufactured articles such as lamps. No material contained in a lamp is released during normal use and operation.

The following information is provided as a service to our customers. This Lamp Material Information Sheet contains the Material Safety Data Sheet information that is applicable.

# I . MANUFACTURER

ZHEJIANG SUPER LIGHTING ELECTRIC APPLIANCE CO.,LTD. XINBI INDUSTRIAL AREA,JINYUN,ZHEJIANG,CHINA 321403 II . LAMP MATERIALS AND HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

## Glass & Metal

The glass tube used is soda-lime glass and similar to that used in the glass industry for common consumer items. The end-caps are aluminum. The filaments, also called cathodes, are tungsten. Other than the usual concerns of broken glass, these materials do not pose a hazard in the event that the lamp breaks.

## **Phosphor**

The products line use two different phosphor mixes, depending on color rending index (CRI). The lower CRI mix (halo phosphate) uses calcium chloro-fluoro-phosphate, with small amounts (less than 1-2% by weight the phosphor) of antimony and manganese, both of which are tightly bound in the phosphor matrix. The higher CRI mix (tri-phosphor) uses a mixture of rare earth elements such as lanthanum, and yttrium as either an oxide or as a phosphate, along with a barium/aluminum oxide. These phosphors produce better lamp efficiency and color rendition. The phosphor components may vary slightly depending on the color of the lamp (cool white, warm white, etc.).

## **Mercury**

Small quantities of mercury are present in any fluorescent lamp. The amount of mercury used currently in STANDARD T5 linear lamps are 2.7mg,T8 linear lamps is 3.1mg,T8 U-bend lamps are 7.5mg,T9C Halo-phosphor lamps are 7.2mg.

#### Plastic Material

The plastic housing is typically made of PBT (Polybutylene-terephthalate) or PET (Polyethylene- terephthalate) fire retarded plastic with a bromine-containing polymer and antimony oxide. The plastic housing is glass fiber filled. This product consists primarily of high molecular weight polymers that are not hazardous.

#### II. HEALTH CONCERNS

# EXPOSURE TO INTACT LAMPS DOES NOT POSE ANY KNOWN HEALTH HAZARD

#### **Phosphor**

As with most inorganic compounds, antimony, manganese, yttrium, and tin are characterized by OSHA as hazardous chemicals. However, they have low toxicity, are insoluble, and are present in very small amounts in the lamp; therefore these compounds are not a significant hazard in the event that the lamp breaks.

#### Mercury

If a small number of lamps are broken, the mercury and/or phosphor concentration in the air should not cause significant exposure to people nearby. If large numbers of lamps are broken, clean-up personnel should use appropriate industrial hygiene monitoring and controls to minimize airborne or surface contamination levels. Personal protective equipment may be needed.

#### <u>Glass</u>

Take normal care with broken glass.

#### V. DISPOSAL CONCERNS

Take normal precautions for broken glass.

Avoid generating dust; personal protective equipment may be needed.

Contains mercury. A Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) test was done on these lamps, and they passed the test, being below the limit of 0.200 milligrams of mercury per liter of leachate. Manage in accord with disposal laws. See: www.lamprecycle.org