

After February 8th, 2006, all fluorescent lamps in California must be recycled.

(Title 22, division 4.5, chapter 23, section 66273.8)

All fluorescent lamps and tubes are considered hazardous waste in California when they are discarded because they contain mercury. (Title 22, division 4.5, chapter 11, section 66261.50) This includes:

Fluorescent lamps and tubes
High Intensity Discharge (HID) Lamps

When mercury-containing lamps or tubes are placed in the trash and collected for disposal, the lamps or tubes are broken and mercury is released to the environment. Mercury vapors from broken lamps or tubes can be absorbed through the lungs into the bloodstream. People who are particularly close to the breakage are especially at risk. Mercury from broken lamps and tubes can also be washed by rain water into waterways.

According to a report entitled, Household Universal Waste Generation in California, August 2002, there were 15,555,556 fluorescent lamps sold in California in the year 2001. According to survey results published in the report, only 0.21% of these lamps were recycled.



We offer EasyPak™ Recycling Containers for Fluorescent Lamps, HID Lamps, Batteries, Ballasts, and Thermostats.

If you have a need to dispose of spent lamps, batteries, ballasts, and/or thermostats, the solution is the EasyPak™ Recycling Program. Small shipments are shipped through pre-paid FedEx Ground transportation services. The program is simple, requires little paperwork, and is a best option for facilities in California.

EasyPak™ containers make it easy to recycle and comply with today's changing regulations. One price includes everything you need, the container, shipping to the recycling center, recycling fees, and certificates of recycling.

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For larger quantities of lamps, ballasts, batteries, or electronic waste, we offer bulk pick-ups nationwide.

