

To: Those who sell or import lamps into Prince Edward Island

Re: Lamp Stewardship program deadline April 1, 2015

Prince Edward Island's Department of Environment, Labour and Justice

TAKE BACK THE LIGHT passed Materials Stewardship and Recycling Regulations under the PEI

Environmental Act on June 21, 2014. Part III of these regulations addresses stewardship programs and identifies lamp products as one of the materials subject to this regulation. Specific products affected are:

- Fluorescent tubes
- Compact fluorescent lamps
- High-intensity discharge lamps
- Incandescent lamps
- Light-emitting diode lamps

In short, sellers, importers, and brand owners of lamp products are required to operate a stewardship program in order to sell them in PEI. Specific to this regulation, brand owners are defined as manufacturers, distributors, and the first entity to sell a product in the province.

The stewardship program must:

- Include a process for the collection, transportation, and recycling of lamps
- Consider the pollution prevention hierarchy
- Replace disposal with recycling
- Include an audit process to ensure lamp products are properly recycled
- Include a customer education component
- Have no visible fees (all fees associated with end-of-life management must be internalized)

The regulation includes all lamp technologies, regardless of type of user (i.e., residential and IC&I lamps are all included), but not fixtures.

Access the Materials Stewardship and Recycling Regulations here.

Next Steps

Take Back the Light has the experience to help lamp sellers, distributors, importers, and brand owners fulfill their stewardship obligations. Whether you are new to Take Back the Light, or an existing participant, email sarah@rco.on.ca to get started. We ensure lamps are properly recycled in the most efficient way possible and help you provide a value-added service to clients that is compliant with regulation.