



Safety First Lighting



CFLs & LEDs

Compact Florescent Lightbulbs or CFLs are more energy efficient than traditional incandescent lightbulbs. Light Emitting Diodes or LEDs are even more efficient. Both can help reduce your energy consumption, energy bills and greenhouse gas emissions.

CFL Safety

Although CFLs are safe for both you and your family, it is important that you handle them with care. Like all other florescent lights, CFL bulbs contain trace amounts of mercury. This means you shouldn't throw them away in the trash. Instead, Block Island Recycling Management and the Rhode Island Resources Recovery Corporation hold an EcoDepo every two years on Block Island. During this event, you can properly recycle your CFLs. Contact Block Island Recycling Management for more information.



Warranty Information

ENERGY STAR® CFLs and LEDs are all backed by a manufacturer's warranty. CFLs have a 2 year and LEDs have a 3 year warranty from the time of purchase. Visit energystar.gov for details.

If an ENERGY STAR qualified product fails before the end of its warranty, contact the manufacturer to inquire about a refund or replacement. You will need receipts to document the date of purchase and the bulb's model number in order to take advantage of any warranty. Look on the bulb for the model number. If you do not know the manufacturer, visit energystar.gov. On this website you can use the ENERGY STAR "find a product" tool or qualified product lists to search for a model number and find the manufacturer and brand name.



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