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Have you seen this symbol?
**Important Information Enclosed
on Fluorescent Bulb Disposal!**

*USE but **DON'T TRASH** energy-efficient fluorescent bulbs!*



Fluorescent
Bulbs
Contain
Mercury!

DID YOU KNOW...

FACTS

- ✓ **FLUORESCENT AND HID* BULBS CONTAIN MERCURY.**
 - ✓ **Hg** on the label means the bulb contains mercury and **SHOULD** be recycled or managed as a hazardous waste. See disposal options below.
 - ✓ Don't trash fluorescent bulbs! Improper disposal means mercury enters our environment and affects wildlife and human health.
 - ✓ Fluorescent bulbs are **VERY** energy efficient and using them will help lower your electric bill! Fluorescent bulbs are 75% more efficient than incandescent bulbs and last 5-10 times longer.
 - ✓ When you use energy-saving compact fluorescent bulbs, you actually reduce mercury pollution by lowering the demand for electricity from power plants that emit mercury.
- * HID (High Intensity Discharge) bulbs include metal halide, high pressure sodium, mercury vapor, etc. used commonly in commercial indoor and outdoor lighting, and other specialty lighting applications.

Disposal Options for Fluorescent & HID Bulbs

for Households:

Households should dispose of their fluorescent and HID bulbs through their Solid Waste District or Alliance. If you are not sure of your town's membership in a District, visit www.mercvt.org or call:

1-800-974-9559

Solid Waste Districts & Alliances

Addison County Solid Waste District	(802) 388-2333
Bennington Regional Planning Commission	(802) 375-9964
Central Vermont Solid Waste District	(802) 229-9383
Chittenden Solid Waste District	(802) 872-8111
Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste District	(802) 296-3688
Lamoille Regional Solid Waste District	(802) 888-7317
Londonderry Group	(802) 824-6304
Mad River Solid waste Alliance	(802) 244-7373
Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District	(800) 734-4602 or (802) 626-3532
Northwest Vermont Solid waste District	(802) 524-5986
Rutland County Solid Waste District	(802) 775-7209 or (802) 773-4083
Solid Waste Alliance Communities (SWAC)	(518) 854-9702
Southern Windsor/Windham County Solid Waste Management District	(603) 543-1201
Tri-Town Alliance	(802) 728-5433
White River Alliance	(802) 234-9340
Windham Solid Waste District	(802) 257-0272

for Commercial/Institutional:

Dispose of fluorescent and HID bulbs through one of the following sources:

- ➔ Solid Waste District or Alliance (see list above)
- ➔ Commercial Fluorescent lamp Recyclers - visit www.mercvt.org for more information
- ➔ Hazardous Waste Haulers - look in the yellow pages or visit www.mercvt.org for more information
- ➔ Electrical Suppliers - visit www.mercvt.org for more information

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