



## What Are PCBs?

PCB's are a class of chemicals known as polychlorinated biphenyls. They are entirely man-made and do not occur naturally. These materials may be toxic to humans, fish and birds so the EPA prohibited the manufacture, importation or reuse of the materials years ago.

## Non PCB Ballasts

Nearly half of all non-PCB fluorescent light ballasts contain a toxic chemical called di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP). DEHP is listed as a hazardous substance under EPA's Superfund regulations. Facilities discarding light ballasts should take the same precautions with their DEHP ballasts as they do with their PCB ballasts to avoid potential clean up liability. The best way to dispose of both types of ballasts is through combined incineration of the toxic materials and recycling of the metals contained within.

## Maintain Careful Records

Proper record keeping is critical with PCB ballast disposal. Work with the professionals at NLR.



## ARE YOU IN COMPLIANCE?

Although fluorescent lamps are one of the most energy efficient lighting sources available today, the ballasts may contain PCB's and other chemicals which are regulated for disposal.

Even ballasts marked as "No PCBs" can still contain harmful chemicals such as DEHP which is regulated under CERCLA (Superfund.)

Many options are available for disposal but NLR's EPA-approved processing and incineration method virtually eliminates any future liability.

- PCB's located in the small capacitor and potting material are incinerated and the remaining metals including copper, steel, and aluminum are cleaned and recycled.
- NLR's process removes dangerous elements enabling the reuse of remaining material.
- NLR recommends recycling all ballasts regardless of labeling.

## Custom Drums & Labels



- Drums labeled per EPA regulations
- Clearly marked as PCB or Non-PCB Containing
- Bar coded for tracking
- EZ-read client information

**No Brokers. No Hassles.  
No Problems.**