

**Statement regarding the WEEE (waste electrical and electronic equipment) and ROHS (restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment) directives.**

**WEEE directive 2002/96/EC:**

The directive applies to the end user equipment. In the Lighting equipment category (Annex 1B, category 5 in the directive) the following lighting equipment is listed:

- Luminaires for fluorescent lamps with the exception of luminaires in households
- Straight fluorescent lamps
- Compact fluorescent lamps
- High intensity discharge lamps, including pressure sodium lamps and metal halide lamps
- Low pressure sodium lamps
- Other lighting or equipment for the purpose of spreading or controlling light with the exception of filament bulbs

Lighting ballasts are excluded from the scope of the directive. The responsibility for the components used in the equipment including the relevant costs and measures required to fulfil the requirements of the WEEE directive is borne by the producer of the end-user equipment. Helvar as a manufacturer of ballasts (components) is not responsible to cover the demands of the WEEE directive set for the end-user products (luminaires).

**ROHS directive 2002/95/EC:**

Helvar designs ballasts according to the ROHS directive and are ensuring that all designs will fulfil the requirements of the directive on or before the implementation date of 1.7.2006.

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