# Energy Efficient Lighting Watt You Need To Know Tuesday, October 8th, 2013 1:00 PM Presented By: Bryan Heltzmann, Training & Edu. Dev. Specialist Pennsylvania Housing Research Center www.engr.psu.edu/phrc

# **Objectives**

- Understand the market for residential lighting products & how each product can vary in its construction, light characteristics, and lifespan.
- Realize existing options, characteristics, & best practices for lighting products & understand how they can contribute to reducing the energy consumption of a building
- Recognize current code requirements regarding residential lighting & realize their impact on occupant safety & well-being
- Make educated & informed lighting selections for residential projects that can improve indoor environments & increase visual comfort for occupants

# Agenda

- Background
- Lighting Characteristics
- Types of Lighting
- Lighting and Residential Code Requirements
- **❖** Lighting & How It Relates To Energy Efficiency
- Summary

#### **Background - History**

- The invention of the incandescent light bulb dates back to the early 1800s
- Scientists & inventors desired a cost effective, practical, long-life bulb
- Edison developed bamboo filaments in 1880
  - lasted up to 1200 hours
- Modern tungsten filament incandescent light bulb developed from 1906-1910
  - By the General Electric Company and William Coolidge

### **Background - Today**

- . Many homes still use incandescent bulbs
  - Low cost
  - Shape and size availability
  - Not very efficient
    - 10% of the electricity consumed converted into light
    - 90% is converted to heat
- Residential lighting consumption in 2011 totaled 186 billion kWh
  - 10%-13% of residential energy use
- New bulbs, new code requirements & energy saving strategies exist
  - Use less electricity than incandescent light bulbs
  - Result in lower electricity bills

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# Reduction of Energy Loads in Pennsylvania

#### Why is it important?



- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
  - Passed by US Congress in February of 2009
- Funding contingent upon 90 percent energy code compliance within 8 years
- Rendell sent letter of assurance to DOE Secretary of Energy

#### **Three Basic Uses For Lighting**

#### Ambient

- Main source of illumination for an area
- Provides safety and security

#### Task

- Provides lighting for a work area
- Elevated lighting levels for task execution

#### Accent

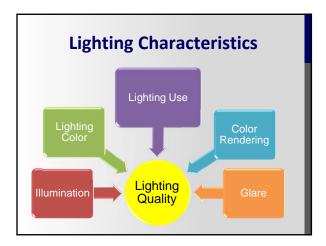
- Illuminates areas creating a brightness contrast
- Makes an area more visually comfortable





#### **Lighting Characteristics**

- Efficacy
- Illumination
- Lighting Color
- Glare
- Lighting Quality



# **Efficacy**

- Lighting efficiency = Efficacy
- Efficacy is measured in lumens per watt
  - Listed as Im/W or LPW
  - Higher efficacy #'s indicate greater energy efficiency
- Watts x hours = Watt hours
- 1000 watt hours = 1 KWH

#### Illumination

- "Illumination"
  - The distribution of light on a surface
- Illumination is measured in footcandles
  - A lumen of light distributed over 1 sq. ft. of area
- Lumen (lm)- measure of the total amount of visible light emitted by a source
- More lumens = more light output from lamp/fixture
  - Candle produces on the close order of 13 lumens
  - 100 watt incandescent lamp = 1750 lumens

#### Illumination

- The amount of illumination required will vary depending on the visual task being performed
  - Cooking vs. eating
- Ideal illumination
  - Minimum footcandles required to perform a task
- Allows for task performance at maximum speed
- No eyestrain

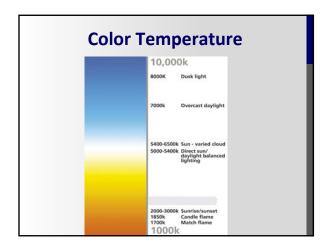
## **Lighting Color**

- Color temperature
  - Stated in unit of absolute temperature kelvin(K)
  - Color temperatures over 5,000K "cool" colors
  - Color temperatures 2,700–3,000K "warm" colors
- Color rendering
  - Effect on the color appearance of an object
  - Light's ability to render correct color
    - Color Rendering Index (CRI)
  - Compared with a reference illuminant (sun)
    - Sunlight = CRI of 100
    - Our eyes are designed to read colors illuminated by sun

#### **Color Temperature**

- "Cool" light
  - Preferred for visual tasks
    - Produces better contrast
    - Reading, writing, sewing, cooking
    - Used in offices to enhance concentration
- "Warm" light
  - Preferred for living spaces
    - More pleasing to occupants skin tones and clothing
  - Used in public areas to promote relaxation

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#### **Glare**

- Difficulty seeing due to bright light
- Eliminating glare is essential to good lighting quality
- Three types of glare
- 1) Direct Glare light shining directly into the eyes
- 2) Reflected Glare light reflected off a surface into the eyes
- 3) Veiling Reflections light emitting from a work surface

  Example Computer Screen

# **Lighting Quality**

- How well occupants can:
  - Perform visual tasks
  - Feel visually comfortable



- Light Quality = Energy Efficiency
  - Higher lighting quality requires less illumination



#### **Incandescent**

- Oldest, most inexpensive, most common
- Shortest service life of common lighting types
  - 1000 1500 hours
- Extremely inefficient light source
- convert less than 10% of their energy into visible light
- Remaining 90% energy is converted to heat
- The efficacy of a typical incandescent bulb is 16 lumens per watt

#### **Incandescent**

- Produces light with a filament wire
  - Heated to high temperature by an electric current passing through it until it glows
  - The glass enclosure surrounding the filament determines the light beam's characteristics
    - Type A bulb



#### **Incandescent - Types**

- Type R lamps (Reflector lamps)
  - Designed to spread light over a specific area
  - Mainly used indoors
    - Spot lighting, down lighting



- Type PAR lamps (Parabolic Reflectors) -
  - Designed to spread light
  - Used outdoors
    - Flood lighting



#### **Fluorescent**

- Very low pressure mercury-vapor gas-discharge lamp that uses fluorescence to produce visible light
- Electric current (in the gas) excites mercury vapor producing short-wave ultraviolet light which causes a phosphor coating on the inside of the bulb to fluoresce
- Much more efficient than incandescent lamps
  - Convert about 22% of their energy into visible light
  - 60 lumens per watt
  - Approx. 10,000 -20,000 hours of service life

#### **Fluorescent**

- Most common tubular fluorescent lamps:
  - 4-foot 40 watt
- 8-foot 75 watt



- Preferred for ambient lighting in large indoor areas
  - Less glare
  - Shape of lamp more effectively distributes light

### **Compact Fluorescents (CFL)**

- Combine the efficacy of fluorescent lighting and the convenience of incandescent bulbs
- Designed as a fluorescent lamp to replace an incandescent lamp
  - Service life of 10,000 hours
  - 50-70 lumens per watt
- Slightly higher initial cost
- Recent designs provide more natural color rendition

### **Compact Fluorescents (CFL)**

- There are two types of CFLs:
- Integrated
- Non-integrated lamps (modular)
- Only specific CFL lamps are labeled for dimming control
  - Dimmer with a standard CFL can be ineffective
- Take time to achieve full brightness
- "Instant On"



# **High-Intensity Discharge (HID)**

- Extremely efficient lighting type
  - Save 75% or more over incandescent
  - Long life
    - Up to 24,000 hours



- Primarily used for outdoor lighting
- Use intense light emitting arc to produce light
  - Require ballasts
  - Slow start up time

### **High-Intensity Discharge (HID)**

- Common types of HID's Include:
  - Mercury vapor lamps
    - Oldest type of HID lighting
    - 50 lumens per watt
  - Metal halide lamps
    - Used as replacement upgrade to mercury vapor lamps
    - Higher light output, more lumens per watt, better color
  - High pressure sodium
    - ◆ 90 150 lumens per watt
    - Faster start up time

#### **Light Emitting Diodes (LED)**

- Most efficient
  - Emit most light per watt
    - Only 2 watts produce 100 lumens
  - Longest lamp life
  - 50,000 hours
  - Low heat production
  - Dimmable
  - Fast start-up times
- Come in variety of sizes, shapes, colors, and styles
- Can emit light of an intended color without using any color filters

# **Light Emitting Diodes (LED)**

- Lighting manufacturers have tried to make LEDs familiar-looking
  - Have a screw-in connector
  - Give off light in 1 direction
- Made of clusters of smaller bulbs
- Seen as the future of residential lighting
- Relatively expensive
  - Becoming more affordable



# Lighting & Current Code Requirements





#### **Code Citations**

- IECC 2009, Section 404.1 Lighting equipment
  - A minimum of 50 percent of the lamps in permanently installed lighting fixtures shall be high-efficacy lamps
- IECC 2009, Section 202 General Definitions
  - High-Efficacy Lamps sets the criteria
- IRC 2009, Section N1104.1 Lighting Equipment
  - A minimum of 50 percent of the lamps in permanently installed lighting fixtures shall be high-efficacy lamps

#### **2009 IECC**

- The 2009 IECC definition High Efficacy Lamps
  - Compact fluorescent lamps, T-8 or smaller diameter linear fluorescent lamps, or lamps with a minimum efficacy of:
  - 1. 60 lumens per watt for lamps > 40 watts,
  - 2. 50 lumens per watt for lamps > 15 watts and  $\leq$  40 watts
  - 3. 40 lumens per watt for lamps < 15 watts

#### **Plan Review**

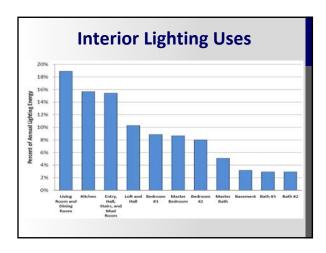
- Verify 50% of all lamps will be high-efficacy
  - Count of lamps as shown on the plans
- Confirm each lamp type's efficacy by requiring manufacturer #'s or independent test data

\*\*If the manufacturer/product packaging has separate ratings for lumen output & wattage - divide the lumen rating by the wattage to get lumens per watt\*\*

### **Field Inspection**

- Inspect representative CFL lamps, linear fluorescents, and other lamps
  - At least 50% of all lamps are high-efficacy
  - Compare installed lamp make/model number to the ones on the approved plans
- Non-specified lamps should have efficacy rating information supplied at inspection

# Energy Efficient Lighting Strategies



### **Energy Reduction Strategies**

- 50% of energy used for residential lighting is wasted
- Why?
  - Illumination levels are higher than necessary
- Incorrect lamp optimization
  - Size and type
- Lights remain on too long
- Inadequate controls and user negligence
- Outdated, inefficient, and unclean lamps

## **Energy Reduction Strategies**

- Approaches to energy reduction include:
  - Decreasing light source consumption
  - Reducing illumination time
- How is this achieved?
- Reducing on-time through the use of "controls"
- Dimmers & Sensors
- Reduce unnecessary high illumination levels
- Relamping
- Using natural light to illuminate spaces
  - Daylighting
- Preserve illumination and quality of light
  - Maintenance

### Relamping

- The practice of substituting one lamp for a more energy efficient lamp
- Allows for adjustment of illumination level
- Lumen output = task being performed in the space
- Reduces unnecessary/excessive wattages
- Replace energy wasting incandescents
- Replace fixtures to improve reliability & longevity

## **Lighting Controls**

- Devices used to control illumination
  - On/Off or dimming
- Snap Switches
  - Manually operated on/off switch
  - Usually wall-mounted
- Also can be in the form of
- Dimmer controls
- Timers
- Sensors

#### **Dimmers**

- Reduce the illumination output of lamps
  - Decrease wattage
- Dimmable switch is required
- Dimming incandescent lamps reduces lumens more that wattage
  - Less efficient when dimmed
- Fluorescents require special ballasts to dim
- Labeled as "dimmable"
- Non-dimmable CFLs do not reduce efficacy of fluorescent lamps

#### **Timers**

- · Operates an electric switch controlled by a timing mechanism
- The mechanism may be:
  - Mechanical clock or motor that mechanically operates
- Electronical timing circuitry and switching devices and no moving parts
- Examples:
- Crank Timers Spring driven dials
   Limit illumination to short durations
- Programmable
- Save energy by consuming only when required

#### **Occupancy Sensors**

- Detects occupancy of a space and turns lights on or off automatically
  - Use infrared or ultrasonic technology
- Illumination extinguishes after detecting no human presence for a precise time
  - 30 minutes, 15 minutes, etc.
  - Reducing off-delay intervals can save significant \$\$
- Common for outdoor lighting
  - Offers security for occupants

### **Daylighting**

- Using natural light to provide effective internal
- Creates a visually stimulating and productive environment for building occupants
- Energy savings can be achieved from the reduced use of artificial lighting
  - Also provides passive solar heating
  - Reduce up to 60% of total building energy costs

#### **Daylighting**

- Fenestration must be designed to avoid the admittance of direct sun, avoiding "glare"
  - Use of blinds, reflective louvers, light shelves
- Not just about windows. Involves additional decisions about:
- Building form
- Siting
- Climate
- Building components (windows and skylights)
- Lighting controls
- Lighting design criteria

#### Maintenance

- Light output levels reduce over time because:
  - Fixture dust
  - Room surface dirt
  - Lamp aging

Can reduce illumination levels by 50% while lamps draw full power

- What can be done?
- Clean fixtures/lamps every 6 12 months
- Consider "group relamping"
- Keeps illumination levels high
- Saves labor

# **Summary**

- Proper lamp utilization will improve:
  - Lighting quality of the space
  - Energy efficiency
- Reduce illumination levels without sacrificing illumination quality
  - Spaces with no visual tasks
    - Provide minimum levels necessary
  - Reduce output levels for task areas that currently have excessive levels


#### **Summary**

- Limit energy consumption and enhance lighting quality
  - Task lighting should be provided at an optimal level depending on the task being performed
    - Cooking vs. eating
  - Increase the efficiency of lamps
    - Relamping
    - Maintenance
  - Ambient lighting = minimum acceptable level

\*\*Remember - Ideal illumination is minimum level allows task performance at maximum speed without eyestrain\*\*

#### **Summary**

#### **Code Citations**

- IECC 2009, Section 404.1
  - IECC 2009, Section 202 General Definitions
- IRC 2009, Section N1104.1
- At least 50% of all lamps are high-efficacy
- Plan Review
- Field inspection

# **Energy Efficient Lighting**

#### **Questions & Evaluations**

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