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CFL Purchasing Guide

My Fixture Has A/An…

Dimmer	You'll need a special dimmable CFL.
Three-way socket	You'll need a special three-way CFL.
Electronic control	Check with the manufacturer of your photocell, motion sensor, or timer.

What Color Would Work Best For My Use?

With CFLs you have options for your white light. Light color is measured on the Kelvin scale (K). As you see below, lower numbers mean the light appears yellowish and higher numbers mean the light is whiter or bluer.

Warm White, Soft White	**Cool White, Bright White**	**Natural or Daylight**
Standard color of incandescent bulbs.	Good for kitchens and work spaces.	Good for reading.
2700K 3000K	3500K 4100K	5000K 6500K

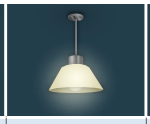
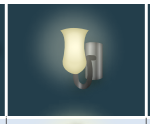
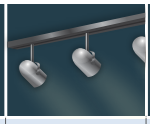
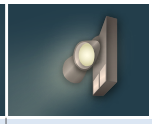
How Much Light Do I Want?

To determine which ENERGY STAR qualified light bulbs will provide the same amount of light as your current incandescent light bulbs, consult the following chart:

Incandescent Bulbs (watts)	**Minimum Light Output** (lumens)	**ENERGY STAR Qualified CFLs** (watts)
40	450	9 to 13
60	800	13 to 15
75	1,100	18 to 25
100	1,600	23 to 30
150	2,600	30 to 52

Notes: _____

How to Choose
the right ENERGY STAR® Qualified Bulbs

	Table/ Floor Lamps	Pendant Fixtures	Ceiling Fixtures	Ceiling Fans	Wall Sconces	Recessed Cans	Track Lighting	Outdoor Covered	Outdoor Flood
									
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Covered A-shaped	✓	✓		✓				✓	
Globe		✓							
Tube	✓		✓		✓			✓	
Candle				✓	✓			✓	
Indoor Reflector				✓		✓	✓		
Outdoor Reflector									✓