



SHIPPING & PACKAGING GUIDELINES

Fluorescent Lighting Ballast

- Ballasts must be removed from light fixtures with care, so as not to cause any leakage as a result of removal.
- Any ballast that exhibits leakage **MUST** be handled with heavy rubber gloves.
- All leaking ballasts must be segregated from intact, non-leaking ballasts. Leaking ballasts should be packaged in double plastic bags and placed in a separate drum labeled as containing leaking fluorescent lighting ballasts.
- All intact ballast should have all wires snipped as close to the body of the ballast as possible.
- Drums for transporting ballasts must be DOT rated 1A2Y1.5-100 (17C) or 1AZ-Y-300 (17H). These drums can, if required, be supplied by AERC..
- Ballasts must be packed into the drums with care, so as not to cause any leakage as a result of packing.
- Ballast drums can contain no other material or waste except fluorescent lighting ballasts.
- No absorbent material should be used in the drums.
- No more than 750 pounds of ballasts should be loaded into each drum. This is about 185 four-foot ballasts, 100 eight-foot slimline ballasts, 75 eight-foot High Output ballasts, or 50 eight-foot Very High Output ballasts.
- All drums should be labeled with labels supplied by AERC.
- All packed drums must be on a loading dock or in some other spot accessible to a 10 x 50 foot (or a 9 x 26 foot) truck. If drums are not on a paved surface, plywood must be placed under them so as to allow their movement with a drum jack.
- Packed drums should not be placed on pallets.