

Technical Bulletin: CFL Fixture Count

April 1, 2013



The Maryland ENERGY STAR © Certified New Homes Program requires that 90% of the lighting be screw-in or pin based CFLs to be eligible for rebate incentives on all projects permitted after April 1, 2013. LEDs are an acceptable substitution for CFLs. Since REM/Rate cannot model LEDs at this time, please include them in your CFL count.

When determining your lighting count, please note that the count is determined by **fixture, not bulb**, in RESNET-defined qualifying light fixture locations.

Qualifying Light Fixture Locations – For the purposes of rating, those qualifying light fixtures located in kitchens, dining rooms, living rooms, family rooms/dens, bathrooms, hallways, stairways, entrances, bedrooms, garage, utility rooms, home offices, and all outdoor fixtures mounted on a building or pole. This excludes plug-in lamps, closets, unfinished basements, and landscape lighting.



A surface mount fixture with multiple bulbs is considered one light. This fixture would be considered (1) non-CFL.



This multi-bulb fixture would be considered (1) CFL.



Each recessed light is considered (1) fixture.