

Subject: Warning – XBO® and XSTAGE® High Pressure Xenon Lamps**WARNING:**

In accordance with ANSI/IESNA Standard RP-27, these lamps are classified as Risk Group 3 products.

Read and understand this warning before using this bulb!

XBO® and XSTAGE® lamps are at high internal pressure when cold (up to 35 bar or approximately 525 psi) and at operating temperature (up to 80 bar or approximately 1200 psi at bulb wall temperatures of 600°C to 800°C). Therefore, XBO® and XSTAGE® lamps may unexpectedly rupture resulting in the discharge of hot fragments of quartz and/or glass and metal. In the event of such a rupture, there is a risk of personal injury, burns and fire. Only handle lamps with their protective covers or protective wraps in place. Do not handle lamps without their protective covers or wraps unless government-approved (OSHA-approved in the U.S.A.) safety glasses, facemask (with neck protector), chest protector, and gauntlets are worn.

RUPTURE & RADIATION (UV-VISIBLE-IR) HAZARDS:

1. Intense ultraviolet (UV), visible, and infrared (IR) radiation is also generated during operation. This radiation can cause permanent damage to the eyes (including blindness) and serious injury to the skin (including burns and blistering). Some operating lamps also generate ozone (O₃). Others, designated “OFR,” are constructed of materials that prevent the generation of ozone. See the “Ozone Generation” section below.
2. To avoid eye damage, other personal injury and/or property damage, the lamp **MUST** be operated in a suitable fixture. A suitable fixture is one that will prevent the arc from being viewed directly while operating, is ventilated to the outside for those lamps that produce ozone and, in the event of a rupture, will prevent hot (up to 800°C), flying fragments of quartz and/or glass or metal from escaping into the surrounding area.
3. To minimize the risk of a lamp rupture, the lamp must be replaced at or before the end of rated life (see catalog for rated life) or when the lamp shows signs of advanced blackening or quartz devitrification (recrystallization, a white, frosted appearance).
4. XBO® and XSTAGE® lamps are constructed of quartz glass, tungsten electrodes and either tungsten support rods or molybdenum foils. High wattage XBO lamps used for cinema film projection have nickel-plated end caps (bases). Reflectorized XBO lamps have a dichroic-coated borosilicate glass reflector.

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1. Do not use if lamp is scratched, cracked, or damaged in any way.
2. To prevent electric shock, shut off main power to the fixture before attempting to service or replace lamp.
3. To avoid damaging the quartz and causing premature lamp failure, do not handle lamp with bare hands.
4. Handle lamp ONLY with suitable, clean, safety gloves. See special handling instructions for using government-approved personal protective safety equipment with high-pressure lamps.
5. If the quartz parts (or the reflector for reflectorized lamps) are inadvertently touched, clean fingerprints off with denatured alcohol and wipe dry with a soft, clean, lint-free cloth. Do not use cleaning rags or material that can leave a residue.
6. To prevent skin burns, allow lamp to cool before handling.
7. To avoid breakage, mounting of the lamp must be free of mechanical stress during installation and during operation by allowing for thermal expansion along its axis. For this reason, XBO lamps should be fixed at one end only and the electrical connection on the other end must be flexible enough to avoid stressing the lamp.
8. These lamps should not be subjected to force/stress during installation.
9. Handle lamp only with protective safety cover or safety wrap in place. When installing lamp, remove safety cover or wrap only AFTER fully securing lamp in lamphouse/fixture and immediately preceding the replacement of equipment covers or closing of lamphouse door.
10. Replace all fixture covers and shields after replacing lamp to prevent eye damage, other personal injury, and/or property damage.
11. Use only in instruments/equipment specifying this lamp type.
12. Make sure lamp is properly installed into socket/connector to obtain good electrical and thermal contact and avoid damaging lamp and/or socket/connector. Electrical connections should be free from dirt and corrosion.
13. Socket/connector condition may affect lamp life. Replace socket/connector or lamp if deterioration (pitting, scorching, corrosion, etc.) of either is observed.
14. All XBO® and XSTAGE® lamps are designed for DC operation. Make sure that the polarity is correct before turning power on. Incorrect polarity can destroy the lamp in a matter of seconds. Operate with compatible power supply and fixture only.
15. For best performance, operate these lamps at rated current. Note: some low wattage lamps may not be operated above their specified rated wattage. See catalog for details.
16. For those lamps that have a current control range, the current may be increased to its maximum value to compensate for loss of light over the life of the lamp. Operating the lamp at minimum current does not prolong the life of the lamp. The DC current may only be varied within specified control limits for the selected type. (See catalog for these limits for your specific lamp type.)
17. When installing bare lamps that have an included flat washer, slip the washer over the threaded pin on the cathode (— negative) side. Removal of this flat washer (after half the average life)

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will allow a rotation of the lamp by 180° resulting in better output maintenance over life for horizontally operated lamps. This should be done only if darkening is evident in the upper part of the bulb. In instances where bare lamp cathode bases are provided with two metal pins, they may be engaged with the two slots on the protective cover to screw the cathode end of the lamp into its socket.

LAMP REMOVAL:

1. Turn off power to the lamp and allow it to cool (forced or convection) for a minimum of 15 minutes prior to shutting main fixture power and opening fixture. Do not remove lamp until it has cooled. After the lamp has cooled, place the protective cover around it and reverse the procedure described above. See special handling instructions for using government-approved safety equipment with high-pressure lamps.
2. Lamp should be placed in the original OSRAM SYLVANIA safety wrap and packaging for temporary storage until disposal and/or transportation to a disposal location. See “Lamp Disposal” section below for transportation and spent lamp disposal information.

OPERATING POSITION:

1. XBO bare lamps are designed to operate vertically. Of those, some (having an “H” in their designation) may also be operated in the horizontal position as well. For vertically operated lamps, the anode (+ positive) electrode must be on the top. See catalog for operating position and permissible deviation for your specific type.
2. Some horizontally operated lamps require magnetic arc stabilization. Check the catalog for your specific lamp type.
3. XBO reflector lamps are designed to operate with lamp/reflector axis within 15° of the horizontal position.

LAMP COOLING

1. Discoloration, surface pitting, and/or corrosion of the lamp indicates a thermal overload. Components exhibiting these conditions must be cleaned or replaced.
2. If forced-air cooling is used, care must be taken to direct airflow at the lamp bases only. Striking the lamp elsewhere with the airflow will result in poor lamp performance or premature failure.
3. To prevent premature failure, the following cooling instructions must be followed:
Bare lamps - Bases must be kept below 230°C (445°F) during operation. If convection cooling is insufficient and additional cooling is required, forced air-cooling may be used. If forced air is used, care must be taken to direct airflow at bases only, since striking elsewhere on the lamp with the airflow will result in poor lamp performance or premature failure. See catalog for your specific lamp type to learn whether forced air-cooling is required.
Reflector lamps - To avoid damaging the reflector coating, do not allow the outer reflector surface to exceed the maximum temperature of 250°C (480°F). [Optimum temperature: 175-200°C (345-390°F)] To prevent premature failure, the lamp ends must not exceed the

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maximum temperature of 350°C (660°F). [Optimum temperature: 200-250°C (385-480°F)] Forced air-cooling is therefore required and the air flow must be directed perpendicular to the lamp/reflector axis, through the slots in the openings of both ceramics. See catalog for diagram.

OZONE GENERATION:

An electrical discharge in xenon gas generates radiant energy ranging from approximately 140 nm in the UV region to far into the infrared region. Xenon lamps are made of quartz glass. The quartz glass allows for the transmission of short UV wavelengths starting from approximately 140 nm, depending on the quartz type. Ozone gas (O₃) is generated by the conversion of oxygen (O₂) in the air by UV energy in the range of approximately 110–200 nm. Ozone is extremely toxic and will cause serious health problems if inhaled in excess of allowable limits over a prolonged period of time. For more information on allowable limits, please refer to the ACGIH (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists) publication, “TLVs and BEIs” (Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices). Ozone production can be suppressed in xenon discharge lamps by adding materials to the quartz glass that block short-wave UV transmission.

QUARTZ GLASS DESIGN OPTIONS:

OSRAM XBO® xenon lamps are offered in three quartz glass designs. They are:

1. **OSRAM XBO W/4:** These lamps are fabricated from synthetic Suprasil quartz glass. Suprasil quartz is low in impurities and provides for maximum short-wave UV transmission and consequently allows for the production of ozone. These lamps should always be used with external ventilation with no possible direct exposure to humans. Under no circumstances may the applicable maximum allowable workplace concentration of ozone be exceeded for any OSRAM xenon XBO lamps.
2. **OSRAM XBO:** These lamps use standard quartz glass and will also emit UV radiation that produces ozone. These lamps, like the W/4 types, must always be externally ventilated. With these types of lamps, health risks must always be minimized by suitably extracting the air from the lamp housing and externally venting it.
3. **OSRAM XBO OFR:** These lamps are designated “Ozone-Free” and are characterized by the letters “OFR” in the order description. OSRAM XBO OFR type lamps have their quartz glass transparently coated to effectively suppress radiation below approximately 250 nm, resulting in the elimination of ozone production during operation.

LAMP DISPOSAL:

1. There is a risk that a lamp could rupture because of its high internal pressure (both hot and at room temperature). A lamp rupture could result in personal injury or property damage from flying fragments of glass and/or metal. Therefore, spent (end-of-life) lamps should ALWAYS be stored in the protective covers and packaging in which they originally came, and ultimately de-pressurized before release for disposal. The following is one example of a de-pressurizing

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method for XBO® and XSTAGE® lamps prior to disposal, but it may not be the most suitable or appropriate method depending on the circumstance:

- The operator must wear government-approved (OSHA-approved in the U.S.A.) safety glasses, facemask (with neck protector), chest protector, and gauntlets during this entire procedure.
- With protective lamp covers in place, place lamps¹ into steel drum² and lock down cover with bolt ring and bolt.
- Drop drum onto solid surface (concrete floor) from at least five feet. Increase height as needed to ensure all lamps are de-pressurized.
- Wait for dust to settle (about 5 minutes) before opening drum. Loosen bolt and allow gas to escape before complete removal of cover.

¹ The lamps should not exceed the half-full point in the drums. Adjust the maximum number of lamps accordingly.

² 8, 20, or 30-gallon drums, depending on quantity of lamps to be de-pressurized, are available. Drums of 20-gauge steel are recommended and are available from many safety supply companies.

2. Disposal of spent lamps must be in accordance with applicable federal, state/provincial, and local regulations. State laws differ in their disposal requirements.
3. Lamp users in North America may obtain specific state or province information concerning disposal regulations, toll-free, by calling 1-866-666-6850.
4. OSRAM SYLVANIA Products Inc. cannot advise lamp users as to general or specific disposal regulations for federal, state/provincial, and/or local municipalities.