UK *Ecodesign rules* for lighting products

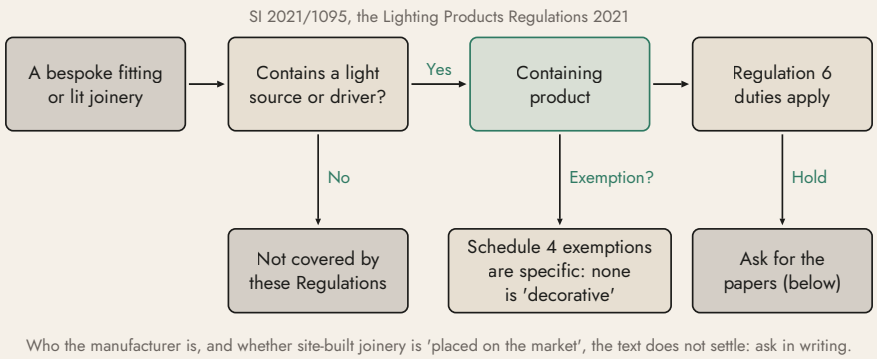
What SI 2021/1095 asks of light sources, control gear and the products that contain them, and the papers to ask for. It does not say that any product complies.

Compliance guidance. Quoted from SI 2021/1095 and SI 2010/2617 as served by legislation.gov.uk on 5 and 6 November 2026, OPSS guidance updated 8 April 2026 and a government review dated 2 November 2026. Whether a particular bespoke fitting or lit joinery is a containing product placed on the market, and who its manufacturer is, is a legal question this sheet does not answer. Guidance, not legal advice.

AT A GLANCE

Item	What the Regulations call it	What follows	Where
LED lamp or filament lamp sold on its own	Light source	Ecodesign requirements and an energy label on the packaging.	Regs 3, 12; Schedules 3, 7, 8
LED strip or tape sold as a product	A light source, if it meets the optical definition (60 to 82,000 lumen and the other limits)	As the row above. Testing uses a 50 cm length.	Reg 2(2); Sch 2 para 8(3)
Driver, transformer or ballast	Separate control gear	Efficiency, standby and no-load limits; information on the packaging or a website.	Sch 3 paras 2, 7, 8
Luminaire or pendant, including one with a built-in LED module	Containing product	Regulation 6: light sources and drivers replaceable with commonly available tools, or a documented justification. The module still meets Schedule 3.	Regs 2(10), 3(1), 6; Sch 8 para 3
Chandelier	A luminaire, so a containing product	We found no decorative exemption. Part L treats chandeliers separately; that does not carry across.	Sch 4; ADL2 App. A
Display cabinet, wardrobe or shelf with built-in lighting	'Furniture containing light sources (for example display cabinets)'	Named in the definition. Whether site-fitted joinery is 'placed on the market', and by whom, is not said.	Reg 2(10)
Art LED or OLED work by the artist, under 10 pieces	A limited exemption from Chapter 2	Only if specifically designed and marketed as such and a 'work' under the 2006 resale-right rules. Not a route to rely on.	Sch 4 para 3(2)(v); Sch 3 para 10

Revised text on legislation.gov.uk, 5 November 2026. 'Sch' is a Schedule. This table does not say that any product complies or is exempt.



The path from a bespoke fitting to the papers to ask for, schematic. It decides nothing about a particular product. Original drawing by Make Bespoke Studio.

SPECIFICATION WORDING

REPLACEABILITY STATEMENT

For each luminaire and each lit joinery item the supplier is to state in writing, before shop drawing approval: (a) whether each light source and each separate control gear can be replaced with commonly available tools and without permanent damage to the product, and how (tools, access route, hatch size [ ] mm); (b) where it cannot, the technical justification related to the functionality of the product; (c) the removal and dismantling instructions. These are the matters in regulation 6 of SI 2021/1095 [where it applies]. The statement is to say whether the supplier acts as manufacturer, authorised representative or importer for that instrument and for SI 2010/2617.

LIGHT SOURCE AND DRIVER INFORMATION

The supplier is to provide, for each light source and each driver: model identifier; luminous flux; correlated colour temperature [ ] K; colour rendering index not less than [90] (the legal minimum for a light source is 80, with stated exceptions); beam angle where relevant; whether dimmable and the dimmer or protocol it is compatible with [ ]; and the energy efficiency class statement for the user manual (Schedule 8 paragraph 3 of SI 2021/1095).

DECLARATION AND DOCUMENTS

The supplier is to provide the declaration of conformity for each luminaire, driver and light source, stating the marking used [UKCA / CE], and to confirm in writing that the technical documentation is held and for how long [10 years]. Documents are to be filed in part 03 of the lighting handover pack, by fitting tag, within [ ] days of practical completion.

TERMS USED

Containing product

A product that has light sources or control gear built in, such as a luminaire or a piece of lit furniture. UK lighting regulations require those parts to be replaceable and documented.

Declaration of Conformity

A signed statement from the manufacturer or importer listing the laws and standards a product meets; the document to request with each luminaire.

Separate control gear

A device that prepares the mains for the form of supply a light source needs, such as a driver, transformer or ballast, and is not physically integrated with a light source. It is placed on the market as a separate product or as part of a containing product. A dimmer is a lighting control part, not control gear.

STANDARDS AND SOURCES

- SI 2021/1095, Ecodesign for Energy-Related Products and Energy Information (Lighting Products) Regulations 2021: revised text valid from 10 Apr 2026; read 5 and 6 Nov 2026.
- SI 2010/2617, Ecodesign for Energy-Related Products Regulations 2010: revised text valid from 27 Jul 2026; regs 2, 3, 4, 14, Sch 1.
- OPSS: Regulations, ecodesign of energy-consuming products: updated 8 Apr 2026; list of products and legislation, Jan 2026.
- DESNZ: Post Implementation Review for Energy-related Products: cover dated 2 Nov 2026; recommendation: keep.
- Artist's Resale Right Regulations 2006, regulation 4: definition of a work; read 5 Nov 2026.

Full guide: https://makebespoke.com/trade/technical/uk-ecodesign-rules-for-lighting-products. Make Bespoke Studio coordinates manufacture through its partner workshops. Figures are guidance only and your specification governs; some may be superseded, so contact the studio to verify.