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## Welcome to our first news letter as promised.....

We at Spa Lighting are delighted to launch today our first ever quarterly newsletter! In case you are not aware of us we have a huge state of the art lighting showroom in Kerry which has been quoted as being the best in the country.

We have compiled a selection of articles that we feel will be of use to anyone who has an interest in lighting. We hope you feel after you have read our short newsletter that you have learnt something of interest. Our aim is to provide items that cover the whole spectrum of lighting from the design stage to choosing the right bulb!

We would appreciate any feedback you might have and any topic suggestions are welcome. We hope you enjoy our newsletter and feel that it is of benefit.

*By David Cahill*

## Outdoor living

### -The Ultimate in Garden Lighting Flexibility!

At Spa Lighting, our outdoor range of landscape and garden lighting will fulfil all the needs of the gardening enthusiast, landscape designer or contract specialist. Our outdoor living product range is designed with quality, flexibility and light performance as the main priorities. Our collection of fittings offer the broadest and arguably the best quality selection available.



Our excellent 12 volt **plug & go** system allows up to 25 fittings to be connected together over a

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distance of up to 50 metres. Furthermore, all the fittings within the **plug & go** series use high power LED light sources, which have very good light output properties alongside exceptionally low energy consumption. Added to this we offer a complementary range of 240V models in matching designs as well as a range of accessories to ensure the widest possible choice.

At Spa Lighting we specialise in bringing the ambience you desire to your garden or patio. We frequently work with landscape gardeners, architects and garden enthusiasts in general to help them achieve this. We are happy to arrange onsite visits, if interested please call 066-9764460 or email [info@spalighting.ie](mailto:info@spalighting.ie).

## Is your Recessed Lighting safe?

Does it comply with current building regulations or are you using flower pots?



Here's 3 Questions you may want to ask yourself:

1. Are you ensuring that a purpose made cover is installed above your recessed lighting, as specified in articles I and J of the Contractors Code of Conduct from the SEAI?
2. Are you fully aware of the consequences or implications regarding poor installations?
3. How could installing non compliant or unsafe recess light boxes effect your industry reputation?

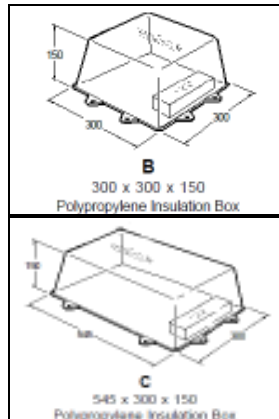
## Safe insulation lighting cont...

### Use of Ceramic Flower Pots

It has been observed by the SEAI (Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland) that ceramic flowerpots have been used in some instances above recessed lights. This is a dangerous practice as ceramic pots heat up, do not allow air circulation around the fitting, lamp or transformer. This causes the fittings to over-heat resulting in lamp failure or worst case scenario, house fires.....

### Use of Fire Hats

Fire hats are frequently used to house recessed lighting which are not suitable as they generally collapse under the weight of attic insulation. The correct and safe option is the SEAI approved fire boxes as stocked by Spa Lighting.



### What our existing customers are saying?

*"We were delighted to discover that Spa Lighting stocked such ideal fire protection boxes for covering recess lights. The fire protection boxes Spa Lighting provide are far better than the product we were previously using and the fact that we can get them locally is an extra bonus. They are so good that we've actually started buying them in bulk ."*

**Tim O'Sullivan - Kerry Premier Insulations Ltd. Aghatubrid, Cahirciveen, Co. Kerry.**

## Top tips for Outdoor Lighting

- 💡 When lighting your exterior try and think logically and start at the entrance. Do you need to indicate to drivers where the entrance is? It can be quite difficult at night time to locate the drive way.
- 💡 Most of the lighting in your garden should be near the house to help create outside living areas.

- 💡 If the garden is large enough light one or two points of focus in the distance.
- 💡 It is a good idea also if you have a large garden to be able to operate the lights separately so that you do not have to have them all on at once.
- 💡 Be sure not to direct your lights straight up into the sky as this is a pointless exercise as all you are doing is lighting the skyline. Light needs something to reflect off to be effective.
- 💡 When lighting your outside seating areas be conscious of not positioning lights so that they cause a glare
- 💡 You do of course need to light steps, if you have any.
- 💡 If you have a small garden it is a good idea to be able to move your lights with the changing seasons.
- 💡 It is always worth lighting a water feature either from within the water or shining onto the water.
- 💡 Always be careful not to use any outside lighting that will interfere with road users as this can be dangerous.

## Your Invite to our special Outdoor Lighting VIP SALE...

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our exclusive three day Exterior Lighting Sale. It will allow you to avail of a genuine 20% reduction on our exterior lighting for three days only 15th/16th/17th of July.

On a final note we, at Spa Lighting, hope you enjoyed our first newsletter which we specifically created for design-conscious people like you. We hope that you are inspired to pay our showroom in Farranfore a visit in the near future or even just check out our web site. We feel you would not be disappointed. Best Wishes for a wonderful Summer.

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