

## **Directive 2002/95/EC of January 27, 2003 on the Restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS)**

Ocean Optics, Inc. is committed to complying with all applicable substance legislation worldwide, including the European Union Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment, Directive 2002/95/EC (RoHS). While none of our products are explicitly required to meet RoHS, we intend to follow the spirit of this legislation ([www.pb-free.info/services5.htm](http://www.pb-free.info/services5.htm)).

Ocean Optics Inc. has reviewed all of its products to define the status of the products and to identify the issues to achieve RoHS compliance. These issues include successfully sourcing RoHS-compliant components, and redesigning products that use components for which there are no RoHS-compliant sources. The processes of re-sourcing and redesign are time consuming. We will prioritize this work to best serve the needs of our customers.

In general:

1. All newly designed products to be released after July, 2006 will be designed with RoHS-compliant materials.
2. No effort will be made to upgrade discontinued or legacy products.
3. Priority for redesign of existing products will be given to those requests made by OEM customers.
4. Some existing products may require extensive redesign, essentially being replaced by newer RoHS-compliant designs that also offer improved performance or new features. The old designs will be discontinued.
5. These changes may force some OEM customers to change their product designs. As always, we are agreeable to manufacturing products specifically designed for our OEM clients.

It is our intention to ultimately achieve conformance on all future products. If you have any specific questions about the RoHS status for any Ocean Optics product, please contact your account executive.