§ 431.321 Purpose and scope.

This subpart contains energy conservation requirements for metal halide lamp ballasts and fixtures, pursuant to Part A of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6291–6309.

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§ 431.322 Definitions concerning metal halide lamp ballasts and fixtures.

Active mode means the condition in which an energy-using product:

(1) Is connected to a main power source;

(2) Has been activated; and

(3) Provides one or more main functions.

Ballast means a device used with an electric discharge lamp to obtain necessary circuit conditions (voltage, current, and waveform) for starting and operating.

Ballast efficiency means, in the case of a high intensity discharge fixture, the efficiency of a lamp and ballast combination, expressed as a percentage, and calculated in accordance with the following formula: Efficiency = P_{out}/P_{in} where:

(1) P_{out} equals the measured operating lamp wattage; and

(2) P_{in} equals the measured operating input wattage.

(3) The lamp, and the capacitor when the capacitor is provided, shall constitute a nominal system in accordance with the ANSI C78.43–2017 (incorporated by reference; see § 431.323);

(4) For ballasts with a frequency of 60 Hz, Pin and Pout shall be measured after lamps have been stabilized according to Section 4.4 of ANSI C82.6–2015 (incorporated by reference; see § 431.323) using a wattmeter with accuracy specified in Section 4.5 of ANSI C82.6–2015; and

(5) For ballasts with a frequency greater than 60 Hz, Pin and Pout shall have a basic accuracy of ±0.5 percent at the higher of either 3 times the output operating frequency of the ballast or 2.4 kHz.

Basic model means all units of a given type of covered product (or class thereof) manufactured by one manufacturer, having the same primary energy source, and which have essentially identical electrical, physical, and functional (or hydraulic) characteristics that affect energy consumption, energy efficiency, water consumption, or water efficiency, and are rated to operate a given lamp type and wattage.

Ceramic metal halide lamp means a metal halide lamp with an arc tube made of ceramic materials.

Electronic ballast means a device that uses semiconductors as the primary means to control lamp starting and operation.

General lighting application means lighting that provides an interior or exterior area with overall illumination.

High-frequency electronic metal halide ballast means an electronic ballast that operates a lamp at an output frequency of 1000 Hz or greater.

Metal halide ballast means a ballast used to start and operate metal halide lamps.

Metal halide lamp means a high intensity discharge lamp in which the major portion of the light is produced by radiation of metal halides and their products of dissociation, possibly in combination with metallic vapors.

Metal halide lamp fixture means a light fixture for general lighting application designed to be operated with a metal halide lamp and a ballast for a metal halide lamp.

Nonpulse-start electronic ballast means an electronic ballast with a starting method other than pulse-start.

Off mode means the condition in which an energy-using product:

(1) Is connected to a main power source; and

(2) Is not providing any standby or active mode function.

PLC control signal means a power line carrier (PLC) signal that is supplied to the ballast using the input ballast wiring for the purpose of controlling the ballast and putting the ballast in standby mode.

Probe-start metal halide ballast means a ballast that starts a probe-start metal halide lamp that contains a third starting electrode (probe) in the arc tube, and does not generally contain an igniter but instead starts lamps with high ballast open circuit voltage.

Pulse-start metal halide ballast means an electronic or electromagnetic ballast that starts a pulse-start metal halide lamp with high voltage pulses, where lamps shall be started by the ballast first providing a high voltage pulse for ionization of the gas to produce a glow discharge and then power to sustain the discharge through the glow-to-arc transition.

Quartz metal halide lamp means a metal halide lamp with an arc tube made of quartz materials.

Reference lamp is a metal halide lamp that meets the operating conditions of a reference lamp as defined by ANSI C82.9–2016 (incorporated by reference; see § 431.323).

Standby mode means the condition in which an energy-using product:

(1) Is connected to a main power source; and

(2) Offers one or more of the following user-oriented or protective functions:

(i) To facilitate the activation or deactivation of other functions (including active mode) by remote switch (including remote control), internal sensor, or timer;

(ii) Continuous functions, including information or status displays (including clocks) or sensor-based functions.

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TEST PROCEDURES

§ 431.323 Materials incorporated by reference.

(a) Certain material is incorporated by reference into this subpart with the approval of the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. To enforce any edition other than that specified in this section, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) must publish a document in the FEDERAL REGISTER and the material must be available to the public. All approved incorporation by reference (IBR) material is available for inspection at DOE, and at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Contact DOE at: the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Building Technologies Program, Sixth Floor, 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20024, (202) 586–9127, *Buildings@ee.doe.gov*, *https://www.energy.gov/eere/buildings/building-technologies-office*. For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email: *fr.inspection@nara.gov*, or go to: *www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html*. The material may be obtained from the sources in the following paragraphs of this section.

(b) *ANSI*. American National Standards Institute, 25 W. 43rd Street, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036; 212–642–4900; *www.ansi.org*.

(1) ANSI C78.43–2017, American National Standard for Electric Lamps—Single-Ended Metal Halide Lamps, approved December 21, 2017; IBR approved for § 431.324.

(2) ANSI C78.44–2016, American National Standard for Electric Lamps—Double-Ended Metal Halide Lamps, approved July 1, 2016; IBR approved for § 431.324.

(3) ANSI C82.6–2015 (R2020), American National Standard for Lamp Ballasts—Ballasts for High-Intensity Discharge Lamps—Methods of Measurement, approved March 30, 2020; IBR approved for §§ 431.322; 431.324.

(4) ANSI C82.9–2016, American National Standard for Lamp Ballasts—High Intensity Discharge and Low-Pressure Sodium Lamps—Definitions, approved July 12, 2016; IBR approved for §§ 431.322; 431.324.

(c) *IEC*. International Electrotechnical Commission, 3 rue de Varembé, 1st Floor, P.O. Box 131, CH—1211 Geneva 20—Switzerland, +41 22 919 02 11, or go to *webstore.iec.ch/home*.

(1) IEC 63103, Lighting Equipment—Non-active Mode Power Measurement, Edition 1.0, dated 2020–07; IBR approved for § 431.324.

(2) [Reserved]

(d) *NFPA*. National Fire Protection Association, 11 Tracy Drive, Avon, MA 02322, 1–800–344–3555, or go to *http://www.nfpa.org;*

(1) NFPA 70–2002 (''NFPA 70''), National Electrical Code 2002 Edition, IBR approved for § 431.326;

(2) [Reserved]

(e) UL. Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., COMM 2000, 1414 Brook Drive,