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Gotham Lighting Recalls Compact Fluorescent Recessed Ceiling Lights; Can Fail to Work in an Emergency

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Products: Gotham Compact Fluorescent Downlights (Recessed Ceiling Lights)

Units: About 30,000

Manufacturer: Gotham Lighting, of Conyers, Ga.

Hazard: The relay on the backup battery of the lights could be programmed incorrectly and prevent the lights from functioning in an emergency.

Incidents/Injuries: No injuries have been reported.

Description: Only Gotham Compact Fluorescent Downlights sold with the optional backup battery pack are included in the recall. The lights are recessed ceiling lights that were manufactured between November 1, 2007 and July 31, 2008.

Sold by: Electrical distributors and sales representatives nationwide from November 2007 through July 2008 for between \$250 and \$350.

Manufactured in: United States and China

Remedy: Consumers should inspect the fixtures immediately and contact Gotham Lighting to receive a repair for the light fixture.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Gotham Lighting at (800) 315-4982 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.gothamlighting.com



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Battery Pack Relay Component Testing & Replacement Instructions



Gotham Architectural Downlighting
1-800-315-4982

Testing Instructions

1. To test the back-up emergency battery, locate the emergency test switch and press and hold it. Once the lamp(s) go into emergency mode, release the switch.
2. If the fixture(s) you are testing work properly in emergency mode, they are not affected by the recall. If the product fails to work in emergency mode, please contact us immediately at 1-800-315-4982.

Replacement Instructions

CAUTION—RISK OF SHOCK!! TURN OFF SUPPLY POWER BEFORE PROCEEDING!!



Figure 1

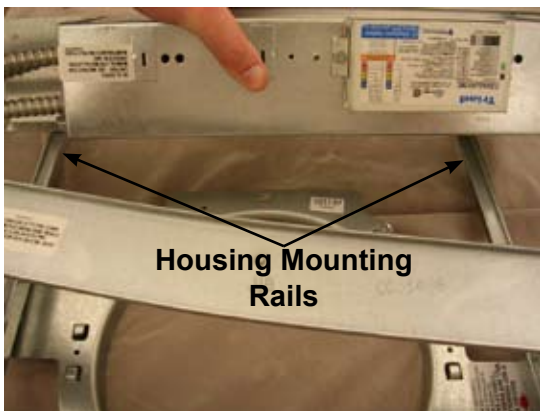


Figure 2

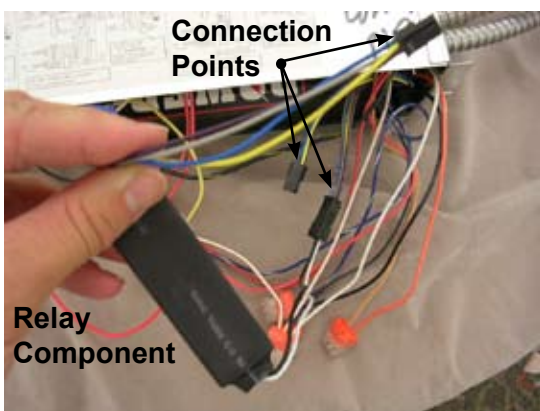


Figure 3

1. Remove the lamp(s) and trim to gain access to the battery pack.
2. Locate the battery pack. (See Figure 1.)
3. Disconnect the test switch from the battery pack.
4. Access the junction box (wiring compartment) and unwire the battery pack from incoming power.
5. Remove the battery pack from the mounting frame rails and pass it through the opening of the housing. (See Figure 2.)
6. Open the battery pack by removing the screw that fastens the top of the battery pack to the mounting tray and locate the relay component. (See Figure 3.)
7. Remove the component by pressing down on the clips of the Molex plug assemblies and unplugging it. (See Figure 4.) Dispose of the component.
8. Replace with new component.
9. Carefully tuck all wires back in the battery pack assuring none remain outside of the enclosure and replace the mounting tray.
10. Reinstall the battery pack on the mounting rails.
11. Reconnect incoming power.
12. Reconnect battery pack to test switch.
13. Reinstall trim and lamps.
14. Restore power and test the product to assure it is working properly in emergency mode.



Figure 4

SAFETY RECALL

Gotham Compact Fluorescent Downlight with Optional Battery Pack

Manufactured between
November 1, 2007, and June 30, 2008



This fixture could pose a safety hazard.

If you purchased this product between
November 1, 2007, and June 30, 2008,
you should contact a Gotham representative immediately
for additional information and possible replacement.

*Call (800) 315-4982 between 8:00 a.m. and
5:00 p.m. ET Monday-Friday, or visit
www.gothamlighting.com.*



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IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

To: U.S., Canada and Mexico Distributors

Re: Gotham Compact Fluorescent Downlight with Optional Battery Pack

On September 23, 2008, Gotham Architectural Downlighting announced a voluntary corrective action regarding compact fluorescent downlights with optional battery packs. The product involved was shipped from **November 1, 2007**, to **July 31, 2008**. *(Note that this recall **does not** extend to other versions of the product that are not sold with the backup battery-pack feature.)* The product may contain a relay that is programmed incorrectly. Due to this incorrect programming, the relay will disable the battery from functioning in emergency mode. The issue can and should be detected during the initial installation and/or certificate-of-occupancy-required inspections. If the unit fails to illuminate in emergency mode, then the unit contains an incorrectly programmed relay and the relay component should be replaced immediately. If the product passes this initial test, then the unit is functioning correctly and no additional action is required.

Gotham is undertaking this voluntary corrective action in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). The enclosed press release, which Gotham issued jointly with the CPSC, provides additional information and instructions about the product and the corrective action. Please contact your customers directly to inform them about this replacement program. We ask that you keep a record of contacts that you have had with your customers so that we can include information about the number of end users that have been contacted in our required monthly update reports to the CPSC. If you prefer, we will contact your customers, but you will need to provide their contact information to us.

If you have any questions or need to request replacement components, please call us at (800) 315-4982 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or visit our Web site at www.gothamlighting.com.

In addition to the press release, we are enclosing a store poster. If you operate at a location where your customers shop or otherwise transact business, please place this poster in a prominent position. **You should leave the poster in this location for at least 120 days after it is posted.**

Finally, if you are called upon to assist in repairing any fixture, we have enclosed an instruction sheet for your convenience. The removed component should be disposed of and replaced with a new component.

We apologize for the inconvenience that this corrective action imposes upon you and your customers. We appreciate your cooperation in making this corrective action successful by replacing as many of the affected fixture components as possible.

Sincerely,

Anthony D. Byrd
Specification Project Manager
Gotham Architectural Downlighting

Enclosures