

LOOKING EAST

The Code of Practice (CoP) has been developed by The Lighting Association to cover the essential safety requirements for luminaires and associated components for the home or similar commercial use.

Our Technical personnel visit in excess of 50 supplier factories per year within China, on behalf of LA Members providing a variety of services:

CODE OF PRACTICE ACCREDITED AUDITOR (TO SECTION 7 CoP) Option 2 CoP

This specially designed and constantly updated training seminar addresses topics relating to the performance of the CoP Section 7 Supplier Factory Audits, as performed for a nominated LA Member company by authorised or employed personnel. An Accreditation certificate is issued to each person who attains a pass at the final examination which runs for 2 years. An up-date Seminar is then required to be attended to maintain Accreditation.

CODE OF PRACTICE Option 3, Pre-Delivery Inspection Review.

This review process enables members to have their Far East embedded personnel or appointed inspection agents to be assessed under Option 3 of Section 7 CoP. The annual review allows reduced or Zero UK batch inspection with enables members to supply direct delivery to customers. Appointed Inspectors receive a Certificate which is annually reviewed and issued.

SECTION 7 CoP) LA PERFORMED FACTORY AUDITS (Option 2)

Audits performed by LA Technical Manager supported by local China based associate. LA Factory Accreditation Certificate would be issued to the member company which specifies the factory acceptance under Option 2 CoP. Performed for members who may not have the time or technical understanding of CoP to gain Accredited Auditor status.

PRE SUPPLY FACTORY AUDIT.

Audits performed by LA Technical Manager or local China based associate. Enables members to consider a supplier and their ability to meet CoP Section 7. Advised to perform prior to placement of initial orders.

MEMBER VISIT SUPPORT SERVICE (CHINA)

Available for members who require assistance to arrange a tour of their selected suppliers. Provided by trusted personnel 'known' to the LA, includes all transportation and accommodation arrangements to ensure the most efficient schedule.

Note: LA or it's associates are unable to provide introductions to suppliers or offer any form of sourcing service.

CHINA MANUFACTURERS TRAINING SEMINAR

The Lighting Association launched a new Training Seminar in China for members to provide vital information for their Chinese suppliers. The object of the seminar is to give a clear understanding of the relevant EU requirements (legislation and standards) to enable suppliers to provide acceptable products.

The LA has run seminars in China since 2004 and is experienced in providing a professional and valuable support service to LA members and their suppliers.

Content will include the following:

Use of operation of test equipment.

Laboratory Testing processes.

PowerPoint presentations for:

Basic EU Legislation

BSEN60598, clause by clause requirements with reference samples and extensive photographic record.

How to comply with a Factory Audit to LA CoP etc.

How to improve production and testing techniques

Insight into all product range types and examples of good and bad practice.

Chinese translation documents will be included in the seminar packs and there will be translation during the seminar.

SAFETY AND QUALITY CONTROL

The Lighting Association Technical personnel currently visit in excess of 50 supplier factories per year, on behalf of LA members. This exposure enables an unrivaled opportunity to consider both good and bad practices. Our aim is to improve working practices, safety and Quality Control standards through demonstration and training. To that end a number of products are currently under development.

- a) Fault simulator for use with China made high voltage insulation and earth continuity test equipment.
- b) Methods to improve production operator safety when performing mains voltage function tests.
- c) Lampholder Torque Test Equipment