

CIE Position Statement on the Blue Light Hazard

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This position statement puts into context the use of the term “blue light hazard” in line with the CIE’s current position on this term. It provides reassurance that people are normally not at risk of exceeding the internationally agreed blue light hazard exposure limits from white light sources used for illumination. However, it does warn about the inappropriate use of blue LEDs in products, such as toys, which are primarily used by young children.

The position statement is written in English, and is freely downloadable from the [CIE website](#). Also available for download are translations of the position statement into: Spanish, Portuguese, French, German, Dutch, Russian and Chinese.

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