All energy labels carry the following information:
- Brand name
- Supplier’s model number
- Energy efficiency class.

Some, but not all labels, include energy consumption information. It indicates how many kilowatt hours (units of electricity) will be used per year, per hour or per cycle under specified operating conditions. To estimate costs, simply multiply the kWh number by the cost of a unit of electricity (currently around 16c).

Understanding the labelling on Lightbulbs

4 kWh/1000h

Weighted energy consumption in kWh per 1000 hours of use.
Generally, luminaires are known as lights. Typical examples include:
- standard and table lamps;
- ceiling lights (e.g. chandeliers and bathroom lighting);
- wall mounted fittings (internal and external);
- external light fittings (e.g. garden lighting);
- DIY / trade lighting (e.g. mounted spotlamps); and
- mains operated Christmas lights.

Energy labels to be displayed either:
- Near the luminaire on display and obviously belonging to that model or
- Accompanying the displayed price or technical information for the luminaire.

Luminaires tend to be supplied with an energy label attached with string, affixed as a sticker or displayed on boxed packaging by the manufacturer – however, where this is not the case, the onus is on the retailer to ensure that the label is displayed as described above.