

# FIRE SAFETY ALERT: Steelcase LED Shelf Light

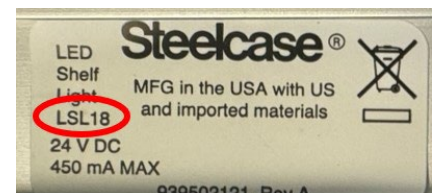


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Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) is asking University building coordinators, facility managers, units and departments to identify and unplug Steelcase LED Shelf Light fixtures (listed below) from building power sources due to the potential for fire and/or overheating. Steelcase LED Shelf Lights were involved in three separate incidents in two buildings on the Seattle campus between 2022 and 2024.

Steelcase LED Shelf Lights:

- **Steelcase LSL18** Standard Light
- **Steelcase LSL18YA** Daisy Chain Starter Light
- **Steelcase LSL18YB** Daisy Chain Secondary Light
- Associated daisy-chain cords
- Associated power cords



## IMMEDIATE ACTIONS

Check for Steelcase Shelf Lights LSL18, LSL18YA, LSL18YB and related power cords in your building.

If you find them, please do the following:

1. Turn the shelf lights off.
2. Disconnect the power cord from the electrical wall outlet. Please be sure to keep cords with the associated light fixture.
3. Document the location of any of these units in your building and note if any heat damage is observed.
4. Report this information to EH&S in the [spreadsheet](#).  
EH&S will follow up to arrange for collection of the light fixtures and to provide more information.

## QUESTIONS

Contact EH&S:  
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## WHAT WE KNOW

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There is evidence to suggest problems within the light fixture and/or the installation (e.g., daisy-chaining). If the units are not properly installed, an overheating event can occur.

When daisy-chaining Steelcase Light Shelf Units, the [specification guide](#) (starting on page 102) indicates the first light unit in the series must be a model LSL18YA unit followed by up to two LSL18YB units. The model LSL18 is a standalone unit and must not be daisy-chained with other light units.

## WHAT'S NEXT

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EH&S will follow up with units that reported Steelcase LED Shelf Lights to EH&S. Suspect light fixtures and associated cords will be collected by EH&S so they cannot be reused.

EH&S and UW Facilities are continuing to investigate and following up on the potential causes of the fires/overheating events with the involvement of the manufacturer and vendor. The Seattle Fire Department has been notified of the incidents.

More information will be shared as it becomes available.



## REFERENCES

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### **Steelcase LED Shelf Light:**

[www.steelcase.com/products/lighting/led-shelf-light/](http://www.steelcase.com/products/lighting/led-shelf-light/)

### **Specification Guide (LED shelf light information starts on page 102):**

[www.steelcase.com/content/uploads/2024/10/worktools-spec-guide.pdf](http://www.steelcase.com/content/uploads/2024/10/worktools-spec-guide.pdf)