

Quick Tips

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WHICH LAMPS (BULBS) WILL WORK ON WHICH DIMMERS? HOW DO I KNOW IF IT IS COMPATIBLE?

With all of the options available to consumers and installers for various light bulbs and controls, it is easy to become confused about which bulbs can be properly controlled or dimmed by which dimmer.

First, make sure that the bulb is dimmable

Dimming information should be clearly visible on the bulb packaging, website info, or datasheet. Bulb manufacturers typically provide a list of dimmers that are compatible with their specific bulb. Most bulbs that are NOT dimmable will have markings on the packaging or actual bulb itself that states “Not for use with dimmers.” With regards to LED bulb technology in particular, although just about all LED bulbs can be made to be dimmable, in certain cases to reduce prices, the dimmable features are removed in the product design.

Second, select a dimmer control that is designed to dim the type of bulb technology you are using.

Most newer dimmers will specify which type of load the dimmer is designed to control. The dimmer may state that it is designed for INCANDESCENT, CFL, or LED bulbs. For best results, it is recommended that you only utilize a dimmer designed specifically for the bulb type. For example, if you are using a LED bulb, be sure to utilize a dimmer that states it is designed for LED bulbs.



WHAT KIND OF BULBS DO I NEED TO USE TO ADD APP AND VOICE CONTROL TO MY LIGHTING?

The voice-enabled speakers such as Amazon's Alexa, Google Home, and Apple Homekit typically have two kinds of lighting systems that can be controlled with their systems.

First, there are specific smart light bulbs that have smart technology embedded in them that allow the specific smart apps and voice-controls to dim and control individual light bulbs or groups of bulbs. A second way to add smart technology to your lighting is to utilize a smart switch or dimmer that itself can be controlled by the smart app or controls. In these types of systems, the dimmer/switch control is the only device that needs to be smart tech-enabled, and any dimmable bulb that is compatible with that specific smart dimmer can be used.

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8.5W A19 LED



4W T10 LED



4W B10 LED