**E-waste Disposal for Ray-Ban Electronic Spectacles**

In the course of our lives, each of us throws away significant amounts of electrical and electronic equipment. We need to protect the environment by adopting sustainability criteria.

**E-Waste**

'e-waste' means electrical and electronic equipment, including solar photo-voltaic modules or panels or cells, whole or in part discarded as waste, as well as rejects from manufacturing, refurbishment and repair processes and the products which have attained their end of life as per the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (“MoEF”) or Central Pollution Control Board (“CPCB”).

The e-waste Rules apply to all electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) listed in Schedule 1 including their components and consumables which are part of the product at the time of discarding. Our Electronic Spectacles with charging case are covered under CEEW13 (*Other Products or Equipment for the purpose of recording or reproducing sound or images including signals and other technologies for the distribution of sound and image by telecommunications*).

**Our Commitment**

Waste management is a crucial pillar of EssilorLuxottica’s commitment to reducing its environmental footprint. It encompasses several initiatives to effectively reduce waste generation from industrial operations and contribute to a more circular economy.

Our products may contain hazardous materials which, if not disposed of properly, can have a negative impact on health and the environment. We're committed to the safe recovery of waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).

To ensure sustainable development and greener tomorrow, we offer an e-waste take back program for our Electronic Spectacles and / or charging case, in compliance with E-waste Management Rules, 2022 (as amended, hereinafter called and referred to as “**E-waste Rules**”). Our EPR Agency collects Electronic Spectacles and other EEE products, covered under E-Waste Rules, to fulfill our EPR targets under the E-waste Rules.

**RoHS Declaration**

As part of restricting harmful substances from our products, our Electronic Spectacles and charging cases are in the conformity with the strict requirements of Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment of the E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022, also known as the RoHS Directive. Examples of materials restricted by RoHS include lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, and the brominated flame retardants (BFRs) PBB and PBDE.

Find [RoHS declaration](https://download.appmifile.com/36_updatepdf_in/11/04/2019/2eb2ccf7-95f9-44de-8dc8-33d73501c326.pdf?pc_hash=WOhvED).

**Obligation of Separate Disposal and Environmental Rationale**

The separate disposal of electronic devices and batteries helps conserve natural resources and ensures that recycling occurs safely, protecting both the human health and the environment.

**EPR Agency & Collection Centre**

We have appointed ASC Consulting Private Limited as our authorised EPR Agency for collection and recycling of e-waste and complying with other allied obligations under the E-waste Rules. Please ensure that end of life product as well as used, discarded consumables, batteries and other EEE are handed over to notified collection centers:

1. **Luxottica India Eyewear Private Limited,**

C/o Schenker India Pvt. Ltd. Survey No., 43/6/2, 7, 14, 15, 16/2, 16/3, 17/1, 17/2, 24/1, 24/2, 25/1, 49/4, 5/1, 6/1/2, 7/1 Village Khurrampur, Dist – Gurgaon, Farrukhnagar – 122 506, Haryana, India.

1. **ASC Consulting Private Limited**

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1. Authorized E waste recyclers / refurbishers

**Meaning of the Symbols on Electronic Devices**
The crossed-out wheeled bin symbols below mean that, according to local laws and regulations, RayBan Meta products must be disposed of separately from other household waste.



WASTE ELECTRONIC ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (WEEE)

**DO’S & DON’T’S FOR DISPOSAL OF E-WASTE**

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| **DO’S** |
| Always look for information on user manual with your product / equipment for end of life product handling.  | ✔ |
| Ensure that end of life product as well as used consumables, batteries and other E-waste are handed over to Authorized Recycler or Essilor approved collection centres only  | ✔ |
| Wherever possible or as instructed, separate the packaging material according to responsible waste disposal options and sort such waste for recycling.  | ✔ |
| Disconnect the battery from product while handing over the E-Waste | ✔ |
| Keep E-Waste away from Children | ✔ |
| Ensure that an authorized person repairs the Equipment  | ✔ |
|  Look for life – cycle of your product / equipment on the user manual  |  |

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| **DON’T’S** |
| Do not Try to repair your machine/ Equipment on your own | **✕** |
| Do not sell or dispose your machine/ Equipment or parts to an unauthorized Kabbadi Wala / Scrap Dealer/ Rag pickers | **✕** |
| Do No dismantle machine / Equipment on your own | **✕** |
| Do not get your machine / Equipment or any parts repaired by an unauthorized person  | **✕** |
| Do not dispose off the E-waste in landfills or in pits as an ill treasure for your next generation  | **✕** |
| Do not dispose your product in garbage bins along with municipal waste | **✕** |

**Health Effects**

Improper disposal of electronic devices and lithium-ion batteries may cause harmful effects on the environment and human health due to the presence of hazardous substances such as heavy metals and toxic chemicals. When we throw WEEE products, they land up in landfill causing the possibility of toxic metal leaching into the groundwater. Toxic metals in e-waste leach into our supply of resources, threatening their integrity. When e-waste is openly heated which is rudimentary process by an un-registered user or scrap dealers, toxic chemicals are released into the air, damaging the atmosphere and posing a serious threat to environment, health and existing line.

E-waste management is critical consideration for future generations as proper e-waste recycling is becoming hard to find, with very less efficient recyclers in the business. It is crucial to know effects of e-waste on the environment, and make a collective effort to build awareness and system to curb all its ill positioning for our existing and future generations.

**Battery Removal and Type Information**
The battery integrated in RayBan Meta Glasses cannot be removed by the end-user.

**Consumer role in facilitating reuse, recycling, and recovery of WEEE**
Consumers play a crucial role in ensuring the proper disposal and end-of-life of electronic products, thus contributing to resource reuse, recycling, and other forms of product recovery.

**How does the take back program work?**

As an alternative to collection centers, Luxottica India provides take – back services for the Ray-Ban Meta. The customers may

* Please call out our customer care number (1800 1200 625)
* Handover the Electronic Spectacles and / or charging case to the Eye care practitioner suggested by the customer care team.
* Dispatch the used, discarded, end of life Electronic Spectacles and / or charging case to our collection center.

To know more, you may check CPCB website ([www.cpcb.nic.in](http://www.cpcb.nic.in))

**Do I have to pay to get my Electronic Spectacles and / or charging case recycled?**

You don’t have to pay anything to get our Electronic Spectacles and / or charging case purchased by you recycled. You will get a coupon of INR 100/- per product which you can use against purchase of Spectacles and Sunglasses sold by Luxottica India Eyewear Pvt. Ltd.