

If You Bought Sylvania Automotive Lighting You Could Get Money from a Class Action Settlement

Detailed information and updates are available on the Settlement Website: www.AutolightClaims.ca

A proposed Canada-wide Settlement has been negotiated in class actions relating to the marketing and sales of Osram Sylvania Premium Automotive Lighting. If approved by the Courts, this Settlement will provide benefits to purchasers of the following “Covered Products”:

- SilverStar ULTRA, SilverStar, XtraVision, or Cool Blue replacement headlight capsules;
- SilverStar, XtraVision, or Cool Blue sealed beam headlights; or
- SilverStar fog or auxiliary lights.

ARE YOU INCLUDED?

You may be a Class Member if you purchased a Covered Product in Canada from September 22, 2005 until December 31, 2014.

WHAT IS THIS CASE ABOUT?

The lawsuits claim that Osram Sylvania, Inc., Osram Sylvania Products, Inc. and Osram Sylvania, Ltd. (“Sylvania”) misrepresented that certain replacement automotive lighting is brighter, provides a wider beam and allows drivers to see farther down the road than standard halogen lighting. It also claims that Sylvania omitted material information regarding the reduced life of the replacement lighting. Sylvania denies that it did anything wrong. The Courts did not decide which side was right. Instead, the parties have decided to settle.

WHAT DOES THIS SETTLEMENT PROVIDE?

A Settlement Amount of not less than CDN \$1,150,000 (the “Settlement Fund Minimum”) and not more than CDN \$1,750,000 (the “Settlement Cap Maximum”) is intended to pay claims to eligible Class Members, Notice Costs, Claims Administration Fees and Expenses, Class Counsel Fees and Expenses, and Honorarium Awards to the Representative Plaintiffs. In addition, Sylvania has also modified certain product(s) packaging. Full details about the Settlement are available on the Settlement Website at www.autolightclaims.ca.

WHAT TYPE OF COMPENSATION CAN YOU RECEIVE?

Individual Class Member may qualify for Compensation for one of the following, irrespective of how many products have been purchased:

Covered Products	Initial Amount	Maximum Amount
SilverStar ULTRA, SilverStar, XtraVision, or Cool Blue replacement headlight capsule	\$12.00	\$24.00
SilverStar, XtraVision, or Cool Blue sealed beam headlights	\$12.00	\$24.00

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SilverStar fog or auxiliary lights	\$12.00	\$24.00
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For each Claimant who submits a valid Claim, payment as described above will be issued¹, so long as providing such Compensation does not exceed the Settlement Cap Maximum. If providing each Claimant with such Compensation will exceed the Settlement Cap Maximum, then in such circumstances each Claimant's Compensation shall be reduced on a *pro-rata* basis.

HOW DO I ASK FOR A PAYMENT?

To receive Compensation, eligible Class Members must submit a Claim Form to the Claims Administrator through the Settlement Website, by email, or by mail. The Claim Form only takes 3-5 minutes to complete. No proof of purchase is necessary.

WHEN SHOULD I MAKE A CLAIM?

Immediately - the Claim Form is already available on the Settlement Website at www.autolightclaims.ca or you can obtain one by contacting the Claims Administrator at **1-855-745-7374**. You should act as quickly as possible, ideally you should do so before the date of the Settlement Approval Hearings, which will further extend the deadline. A definite Claim Deadline will be set if and when the Settlement is approved by the Courts. Please consult the Settlement Website for an update of the delays that will be set by the Courts.

WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?

If you are a Class Member, you may (1) send in a Claim Form; (2) object to the settlement; (3) exclude yourself (Opt-Out); or (4) do nothing.

If you don't want to be legally bound by the settlement, you must opt-out. To do so, you must complete and submit an Opt-Out Form to the Claims Administrator. The manner in which you opt-out is available on the form found on the Settlement Website; the delay to do so will be set by the Courts. Residents of Quebec must in addition give notice to the Clerk of the Superior Court of Quebec. Anyone who opts out cannot object to the Settlement, will not be bound by the Settlement Agreement, and will not be eligible to claim benefits under the Agreement, but may be eligible to pursue an individual claim.

To object to or to make representations regarding this proposed Settlement, you must attend one of the Settlement Approval Hearings. You should also notify the Claims Administrator in writing through the website, by email or by mail at least 15-days before the hearing and provide your reasons summarily.

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE COURTS DECIDE TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT?

The Ontario Superior Court of Justice and the Superior Court of Québec will hold hearings to consider whether to approve the Settlement. Each of the Courts must be satisfied that the Settlement is fair, reasonable and in the best interests of Class Members.

Settlement Approval Hearings have been scheduled as follows:

Ontario Action (for Canadian residents other than Quebec) – August 31, 2016 at 9:30 A.M. at the Courthouse located at 1023 King St., L'Orignal, Ontario.

¹ less the withholding owing to the *Fonds d'aide aux recours collectifs* (for Quebec residents only and if applicable).

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Quebec Action (for Quebec residents) – August 30, 2016 at 9:15 A.M. at the Montreal Courthouse located at 1 Notre-Dame St. East, Montréal, Québec.

Please check the Settlement Website to confirm these dates, as they are subject to change. You do not have to attend the hearings but you may do so if you wish. However, you must do so if you wish to object or make representations regarding the Settlement.

WHEN WILL I BE PAID?

Cheques will only begin to be mailed to eligible Class Members for Compensation at the earliest starting on **January 29, 2017**, assuming that the Settlement is approved and that such order/judgment has become final and binding.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

This Notice summarizes the proposed Settlement. More details are in the Settlement Agreement. You can get a copy of the Settlement Agreement and detailed information on how to obtain or file a Claim, Opt-Out or Object on the Settlement Website at www.autolightclaims.ca. For any other information, please contact the Claims Administrator at:

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WHO REPRESENTS ME?

Class Counsel, or the law firms representing the Plaintiffs, are the following:

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The Courts will also consider a request from Class Counsel for counsel fees, disbursements and taxes. Class Counsel has pursued this lawsuit wholly on a contingency basis and has agreed that they would only be paid their legal fees if there was a Settlement or recovery following a successful outcome. They will seek approval from the Courts of \$525,000 plus applicable taxes, which will be paid for from the Settlement Amount. The Plaintiffs will also seek honorarium payments of \$5,000 each.

To remain updated and to find out the deadlines to file a claim or opt-out, please consult the Settlement Website.

***This Notice has been approved by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice
and the Superior Court of Québec.***