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## LUMINAIRES –

### Part 2-4: Particular requirements – Portable general purpose luminaires

#### ~~4.1~~ **General**

#### **4.1 Scope**

This part of IEC 60598-2 specifies requirements for portable general purpose luminaires for indoor and/or outdoor use (e.g. garden use), other than handlamps, ~~for use with tungsten filament, tubular fluorescent and other discharge lamps~~ designed to be used with or incorporating electrical light sources on supply voltages not exceeding 250 V. ~~It is to be read in conjunction with those sections of part 1 to which reference is made.~~

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IEC 60598-1, *Luminaires – Part 1: General requirements and tests*

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