Sylvania Date Codes – Fluorescent 1940 - mid 50s

The code runs on a five year cycle and consists of a two rows of dots, one above the other. The top row of dots represents the month, the lower row the year.

**Month Code**
- • • • • • • January
- • • • February
- • • • March
- • • April
- • May
- • June
- • • • • July
- • • • August
- • • • September
- • • October
- • November
- December

**Year Code**
- • • • • 1941 1946 1951 1956
- • • • 1942 1947 1952 1957
- • • 1943 1948 1953 1958
- • 1944 1949 1954 1959
- 1945 1950 1955 1960

Owing to the rather short 5-year cycle of this code it is often necessary to consider constructional details of the lamp to identify its actual production date within each period.

**Branding**
1941 onwards = Hygrade.
1944 onwards = Sylvania with inverted and empty triangle logo.
Late 1940s = Sylvania with flashing triangle logo containing S and lightning bolt.

**Cap Material**
~ 1940 - 1945 Brass
~ 1945 - 1950 Dark brown Bakelite
~ 1950 - 1955 Black Bakelite
~ 1955 + Aluminium

**Etch**
Prior to 1952 lamps had inside etches, thereafter being moved to the outside surface.