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Accent Lighting: Lighting that is used to highlight specific objects or areas of a space, such as artwork or architectural features. It adds drama and visual interest to a room.

Architectural Lighting: Lighting that is integrated into the architecture of a space, such as recessed lighting, cove lighting, or wall washing. It enhances the overall design of a room.

Ballast: A device used to regulate the current in a fluorescent or HID lamp. It provides the initial voltage to start the lamp and then regulates the current during operation.

Beam Angle: The angle at which light is emitted from a light source. A narrow beam angle creates a focused light, while a wide beam angle provides more general illumination.

Color Rendering Index (CRI): A measure of how accurately a light source renders color compared to natural light. The scale ranges from 0 to 100, with higher numbers indicating better color rendering.

Color Temperature: A measure of the color appearance of light, usually expressed in Kelvin (K). Lower color temperatures (2000-3000K) produce warm, yellow light, while higher color temperatures (4000-6500K) produce cool, blue light.

Daylight Harvesting: A lighting control strategy that automatically adjusts artificial lighting based on the amount of natural daylight available. This helps reduce energy consumption and provides a more comfortable lighting environment.

Dimming: The ability to adjust the brightness of a light source. Dimming can be achieved through manual controls, timers, sensors, or smart lighting systems.

Downlight: A type of light fixture that directs light downward, usually installed in ceilings. Downlights are commonly used for general illumination in hotel spaces.

Energy Efficiency: The ratio of energy output to energy input of a lighting system. Energy-efficient lighting designs help reduce energy consumption and operating costs.

Fixture: A complete lighting unit that includes a light source, housing, and any necessary accessories. Fixtures come in various shapes, sizes, and styles to suit different lighting applications.

Footcandle: A unit of measurement that quantifies the amount of light intensity on a surface. One footcandle is equal to one lumen per square foot.

Glare: Excessive brightness or contrast that causes discomfort or vision impairment. Glare can be minimized

through proper lighting design and control.

Incandescent Lamp: A type of light bulb that produces light through a filament heated to high temperatures. Incandescent lamps are known for their warm color and smooth dimming capabilities.

LED (Light-Emitting Diode): A semiconductor device that emits light when an electric current passes through it. LEDs are energy-efficient, long-lasting, and come in a variety of colors and shapes.

Lighting Design: The art and science of creating lighting solutions that enhance the functionality, aesthetics, and atmosphere of a space. Lighting designers consider factors such as light quality, quantity, distribution, and control.

Lighting Control: Systems and devices used to adjust and manage the lighting levels in a space. Lighting control can include dimmers, sensors, timers, and smart lighting technologies.

Lighting Plan: A detailed layout that specifies the placement, type, and quantity of lighting fixtures in a space. Lighting plans are essential for ensuring proper illumination and achieving the desired lighting effects.

Lumen: A unit of measurement that quantifies the total amount of visible light emitted by a light source. The higher the lumen output, the brighter the light source.

Luminance: The amount of light that is emitted or reflected from a surface in a particular direction. Luminance is measured in candelas per square meter (cd/m²).

Luminous Flux: The total amount of visible light emitted by a light source, measured in lumens. Luminous flux indicates the brightness of a light source.

Luminous Intensity: The amount of light emitted in a particular direction from a light source, measured in candelas. Luminous intensity indicates the brightness of light in a specific direction.

Task Lighting: Lighting that is focused on specific tasks or activities, such as reading, cooking, or working. Task lighting provides concentrated illumination to enhance visibility and productivity.

Uplight: A type of light fixture that directs light upward, usually installed on the floor or low on a wall. Uplights are used to create ambient or decorative lighting effects.

Wattage: A measure of the power consumption of a light source, indicating how much energy it consumes. Higher wattage bulbs generally produce more light but also consume more energy.

Zonal Cavity Method: A lighting calculation method that divides a space into zones based on the distance from the light source and the reflective surfaces. The zonal cavity method helps determine the optimal lighting design for a space.