

Change Notice

Various Series

Discontinuation of Specific NKK Products

Type of Change:

- ☒ Engineering ☐ Part Number
☐ Product ☐ Appearance

Due to containing an environmentally restricted material, Dechlorane Plus, NKK Switches will be discontinuing a limited number of products as outlined on the following table. Guidelines regarding Dechlorane Plus will be coming into effect in the near future, and NKK prefers to be proactive regarding environmental responsibility. The discontinued products will include standard and custom part numbers.



Various NKK Products
will be Discontinued

Switch Type		Series	Description of Discontinued	Replacement/ Alternate
T o g g l e	Nonilluminated Toggles	M	All Models, including Bushing, Bracket PC and Angle Mount	See Note
	Illuminated Toggles	M2100	All Models LED Tipped	See Note
	Illuminated Toggles	TL	All Models Fully Illuminated	Not Available
R o c k e r	Nonilluminated and Illuminated Rockers	M	All Models, including Snap-in Mount, Bracket PC Mount, and Flat Frame Mount	See Note
	Illuminated Rockers and Paddles	M2100	All Models LED Tipped	See Note
P u s h b u t t o n	Nonilluminated Pushbuttons	MB2000	All Models, including Bushing, Bracket PC and Large Bushing	See Note
	Nonilluminated Pushbuttons	MB2400	All Models, including Bushing, Bracket PC and Snap-in Mount	See Note
	Nonilluminated Pushbuttons	MB2500	All Models, including Bushing, Bracket PC and Snap-in Mount	See Note
Rotary	Rotaries	MR	MRA Shaft Actuated with PC Terminals	See Note
Slide	Nonilluminated and Illuminated Slides	MS	All Models	See Note

Note: For detailed information on Direct Replacement or Recommended Alternate part numbers, search by original part number at the following link: [NKKSwitches](https://www.nkkswitches.com)

Effective Dates

Orders from the release date of this notice for the discontinued products specified are considered noncancelable, nonreturnable (NCNR). Orders for any of the discontinued products listed will be accepted through June 30, 2023. The end of sales date is April 30, 2024.

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To Our Valued Customers:

We would like to extend our appreciation for your outstanding support and continued patronage. Your recognition of the superior quality of NKK Switches' portfolio has contributed significantly to our nearly 70 years of success, and we are grateful for the opportunity to serve your switch requirements.

We understand that there will soon be guidelines released regarding Dechlorane Plus, which is recognized as an environmentally restricted material. Since NKK Switches has and will continue to be diligent and conscientious in all matters with respect to our customers and our environment, we desire to be proactive and trustworthy. Therefore, we want to inform you of some changes to our product portfolio.

The material, Dechlorane Plus, is known as one of the substances utilized in some of our products' case material, and it will be replaced with a Dechlorane Plus free material. Along with that direction, various products will be discontinued, and some of them will have replacement or alternate parts we can recommend immediately. We are working on other product substitutions, but for these it will take longer. Our intent is to be as helpful to our customers as we possibly can, supporting as seamless a transition as we are able.

Please see the attached Product Change Notice CN-0400 regarding the discontinuation.

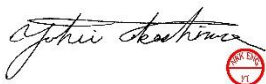
Page 2 of this document shows supplementary notes related to the above-mentioned regulations that NKK Switches recognizes as of May 1, 2023.

The time schedule is outlined as follows:

Discontinuation of Products

- Last order date: June 30, 2023
- End of sales date: April 30, 2024

Sincerely,



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Appendix: Supplementary Notes

1. The eighteenth meeting of the POPs Review Committee of the Stockholm Convention took place from 26 to 30 September 2022 in Rome, Italy, back-to-back with the eighteenth meeting of the Chemical Review Committee of the Rotterdam Convention. In that meeting, the risk management evaluation for Dechlorane Plus was adapted and it was recommended to list Dechlorane Plus in Annex A with specific exemptions. Please visit the link below for details.
 - Stockholm Convention official site
<http://chm.pops.int/TheConvention/POPsReviewCommittee/Meetings/POPRC18/Overview/tabid/9165/Default.aspx>
2. China Government released “Intensive management new pollutant list (2023 edition)” as of 12/29/2022. In the list, it was announced that Dechlorane Plus was to be banned for production, processing, use, import and export, starting from January 1, 2024. The details are available in the links following.
 - China Government website link (Chinese)
https://www.mee.gov.cn/gzk/gz/202212/t20221230_1009192.shtml
 - Newsletter release by Envix, Ltd (English)
https://enviliance.com/regions/east-asia/cn/report_8936