

Obsolescence Policy

Lester Control Systems Limited is committed to providing leading edge products to our customers, and as such invests considerable time to provide a range of high quality, high functionality products.

Product obsolescence is the "end of life" or the sixth and final stage of the product life cycle. Our policy is to provide a "Notice of Discontinuance" which provides customers with up to six (6) months for last time orders. The product is then "Discontinued" and there is up to an additional twelve (12) months for last time shipments prior to "Obsolescence".

Lester's "Product Obsolescence Policy" outlines how Lester Controls will provide support for products that have become obsolete.

Products may become obsolete due to the introduction of newer products and technologies (Technical Obsolescence), due to the lack of availability of parts or the use of parts which no longer comply with regulatory guidelines (Component Obsolescence), or a reduction in market demand (Economic Obsolescence). Given the range of Lester's products and its drive to always provide the best leading edge solution, obsolescence allows Lester's to free resources to work on new projects, safe in the knowledge that our Customers have a suitable, high quality product range.

Notice of Discontinuance

PRODUCT TYPE	PART NO.	OBSOLESCENCE START	END OF HARDWARE SUPPORT	SPARES AVAILABLE
Controller Processors				
TOSHIBA PLC	EX40	1992	1994	X
MITSUBISHI FX	32,48,64,80,120	1998	2000	X
MITSUBISHI RACK	A1SJH	1996	1998	X
MITSUBISHI FX	0, 1N	2015	2016	X
MECHANICAL SELECTOR	SIL (LIFT MATERIAL)	1990	1995	X
SELECTOR RESET PCB	SR PCB	1995	2000	X
ELECTRONIC SELECTOR	GWL (Grey PCB)	1998	2001	X
CONTROL PROCESSOR	P-BYTE DS50	1995	2000	X
LESTER	** MP500/500e	2017	2021	✓
LESTER	** Bradley	2016	2018	x
LESTER	MP500 Despatcher	2005	2007	✓
LESTER	ALMEGA 1	2019		

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Inverter Drives				
MITSUBISHI	Z340	1992	1997	X
EUROTHERM	584S/620 Vector/ DC690	1998	2005	X
IPC America	DC REGULATOR	1995	2001	X
OMRON	3GVFV	2005	2010	X
OMRON	L7	2009	2012	X
MAGNETEK	HPV600/HPV900	2013	2015	X / ✓
LOHER	DYNALIFT E	1995	2000	X
BALDOR	BALDOR AC	2000	2005	X
MICOTROL	340/2000	2005	2010	X
Indicators				
LESTER	DU2 2 wire	2005	2012	X
LESTER	DU3 & DU3 2 wire	2005	2012	X
LESTER	TFT55	2015	2017	X
LESTER	TFT90	2015	2017	✓
LESTER	Clock/Driver Card	2015	2017	✓
LESTER	TC3 2D & 3D	2002	2021	✓
Push Buttons				
LESTER	PB1, PB2, PB3	2015	2017	X
Controller Spares				
Phase Failure/Therm	PFRR/TPR (2xTrans)	1995	2000	X
Thermistor Protection	TPR	2013	2015	X
Phase Failure/Therm	PFRR/TPR (White)	2005	2010	X
Tape Heads				
LESTER	OPTICAL (GWL)	1998	2001	X
LESTER	24v SILENT	2014	2017	X
LESTER	Charisma	2010	2013	X

** Repairs only – NEW replacements NOT available

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