



Product Communication



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 Subject: **IP4 Handheld RFID Reader First Notice of Product Retirement**

This is the first retirement notice of the end-of-build for the IP4 Handheld RFID Reader. The IP4 has been shipping since December 2005 and was designed as an RFID accessory for the 700 Series of mobile computers. The 730 and 761 Series reached their final end of build date on June 30th 2009; and the 741 and 751 Series are scheduled to have a final customer shipment date of December 31st 2009.

The retirement notice schedule for all configurations of the IP4 is as follows:

- 1st Retirement Notice July 2009
- 2nd Retirement Notice December 2009
- Last Customer Ship Date March 2010

The following part numbers are affected by this notice. Note that the list includes accessories.

Part Number	Description
IP4B002002	IP4B, Gen2, CirAnt, .5W 865, ETSI, RoHS
IP4B002003	IP4B, Gen2, CirAnt, .5W 869, ETSI, RoHS
318-014-002	Battery Pack, IP3/IP4 Scan Handle, RoHS
852-062-003	Battery Charger, 2 Pack, RoHS

Product Migration

Existing customers are encouraged to migrate to the IP30 Handheld RFID Reader, an add-on to the current and highly successful CK61, CN3, CN3e and CK3 mobile computers. Unlike the IP4 with a circular polarized antenna, the IP30 with a linear polarized antenna is capable of reading tags of various orientations by simply moving the handheld reader. For performing tag inventories, users are trained to sweep the area of interest with various orientations of the reader. Most handheld RFID readers use linear antennas because they have a higher gain per equivalent size and can therefore read tags at longer distances.

For additional information on the IP30, please reference the IP30 Launch Kit:

[Honours Partner Path \(note: your GSS login and password are required\)](#)

To access the IP30 launch kit, go to www.intermec.com. Click on Partner Login in the upper right hand corner of the main home page. Access the GSS using your Global Sales and Service login and password. Find the direct link to the launch kits on the main body of the page.

Internal Path

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Service

Under normal conditions, Intermec supports a product for a minimum of 3 years, though typically longer, after product retirement. Intermec's ability to continue support after the initial three year period is dependent upon availability of spare parts and vendor obsolescence issues that are beyond Intermec's control.

Refer to your Intermec price guide for full ordering information including part numbers and pricing. For information on product availability or order status, please contact your Intermec Authorized Distributor or Intermec Customer Service Representative.

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