



NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE LEVEL 1 – FOR AWARENESS

May, 19th 2021

Swagelok has earned a reputation for unmatched quality and consistency at the component level. We are committed to maintaining this reputation while continuing to grow and improve our product offering. At times, this requires changes to the form, fit or function of our core products.

This Level 1 – Notification of Change sets forth changes to one or more of the products you may have purchased from Swagelok or an authorized Swagelok sales and service center. Prior to release, each change listed was carefully evaluated in accordance with the Swagelok Quality System, to minimize impact to you, our end customer.

A Level 1 Notification relates to an applicable* change impacting Form, Fit and/or Function (“FFF”) or the cosmetic appearance of a standard product. “Standard product” is any product that does not include a customer specified product or process attribute and can be purchased by any customer. This includes off-catalog product that can be assembled through designators, assemble to order (“ATO”), make to order (“MTO”), product produced by other means.

Product Name: “B” Type VCO® L-Ring face seal fittings

Product Details: Discontinue “B” Type VCO® L-Ring face seal fittings

Change Impact: Form Fit Function Cosmetic Appearance

Description and Reason for Change

- “B” Type VCO® L-Ring face seal fittings for applications in biotechnology and pharmaceuticals will be discontinued. This decision enables us to focus our operations resources on delivering our core face seal fitting products.
- “B” Type VCO fittings as well as valves with “B” Type VCO end connections will no longer be available for order as of **June 14, 2021**.
- “B” Type VCO L-ring seals will continue to be available until **May 14, 2023**. A follow-up notice will be issued in advance of the L-ring seal obsolescence.
- Please note, lead times may be extended as we fulfill these requests.
- The standard VCO O-ring face seal fitting continues to be available.

Available Options:

- “B” Type VCO fittings as well as valves with “B” Type VCO end connections: please kindly order before **June 14, 2021**
- “B” Type VCO L-ring seals: please kindly order before **May 14, 2023**
- Consider if Swagelok standard VCO O-ring face seal fitting can be used as alternative solutions or not.





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Effective Date:

- Immediately
- June 14, 2021** (“B” Type VCO fittings & valves with “B” Type VCO end connections discontinuation)
- May 14, 2023** (“B” Type VCO L-ring seals discontinuation)

Unless otherwise noted, all changes are rolling changes and will take some time to flow through our global inventory. If you have questions regarding the impact of this change on your applications, please contact your local authorized Swagelok sales and service center representative. They, along with regional technology centers, and trained field engineers, are available to assist you.

** Applicable changes which would require notification to a Distributor or end user include changes which impact the form, fit or function of a product attribute or measurement as described in Swagelok data readily available to customers or when a change is made that is cosmetically detectable to the customer.*

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