

# Safety Notice

MSA Advantage® 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridges

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## **Dear MSA Respiratory Protection Customer,**

MSA is issuing this Safety Notice to inform you that MSA has identified the potential for reduced service life in select Advantage® 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridges. MSA has observed the condition in a small number of production samples and has not received any reports of injuries associated with this condition. However, we are requesting that you remove from service and discard potentially affected cartridges.

The cartridges are sold in a two-pack under MSA part number 430374. Cartridges that were manufactured from April 2014 through February 2019 are potentially affected.

Note that the Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridge does not carry NIOSH approvals. Customers that use NIOSH certified respirators are not impacted by this Notice.

MSA is advising all customers to remove from service and discard any MSA Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridges that meet the criteria for affected product below. MSA will replace these cartridges free of charge.

### **Identifying Potentially Affected Product**

Visually inspect either the box, bag or cartridge to confirm that all three of the following criteria are met (see Figures 1, 2 and 3)

- 1) Part number is 430374
- 2) Production Code is as shown in figures 1 through 3
- 3) Expiration date is in the range of April 2019 to February 2024

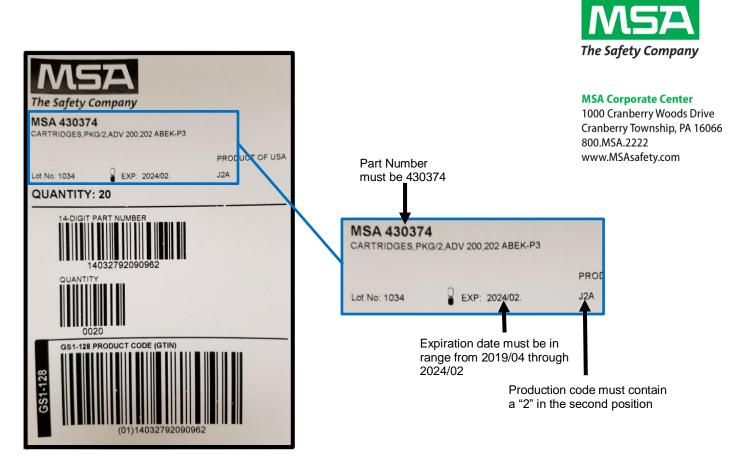


Figure 1: Identifying Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridge Box for Replacement

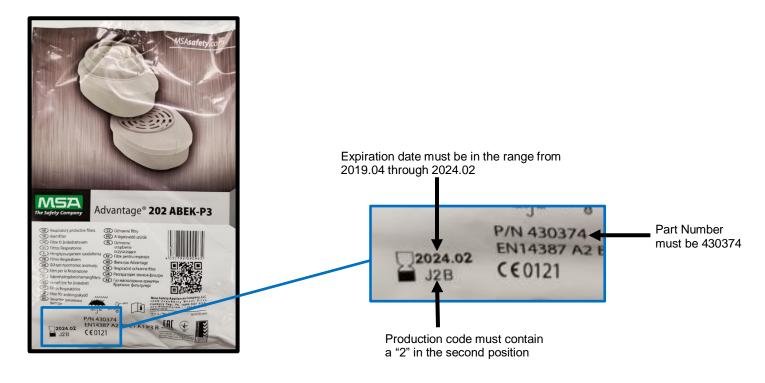


Figure 2: Identifying Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridge Bag for Replacement

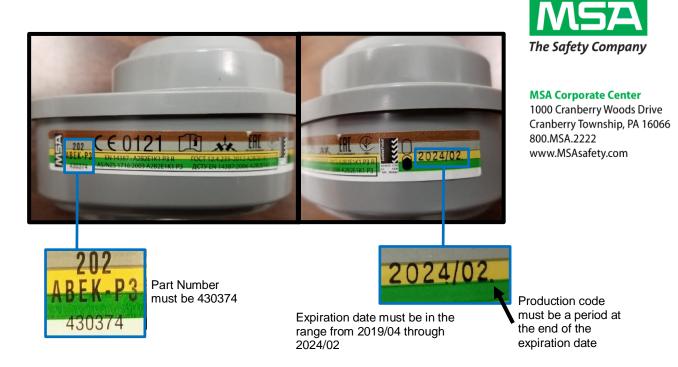


Figure 3: Identifying Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridge for Replacement

## **Replacing Affected Cartridges**

We recognize that this is an inconvenience and in an effort to minimize any disruption, we pledge to take any replacement actions as expeditiously as possible.

If you are in possession of Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridges that meet the criteria above, remove them from service and discard them. To receive replacements, complete the enclosed *Return/Replacement Form,* including a signature certifying that potentially affected cartridges were discarded, and e-mail it to the e-mail address provided on the form.

### **MSA Customer Service Contact Information:**

If you have any questions regarding this Safety Notice, please contact your local MSA Customer Service team.

We apologize for any inconveniences that this may cause; however, your safety and continued satisfaction with our products is important to us.

Best regards,

Nathan Andrulonis

Manager of Product Safety

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## MSA Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridge Return / Replacement Order Form

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Please complete this form and email it to <a href="mailto:knber.msaadvfilter@kuehne-nagel.com">knber.msaadvfilter@kuehne-nagel.com</a>

Multiple orders can b	be placed by submitting additional copies of	f this form.	
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MSA Use Only - Order Code: UR7 PS19012-03