



Safety Notice

MSA Advantage® 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridges

May 28, 2019

MSA Corporate Center
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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.

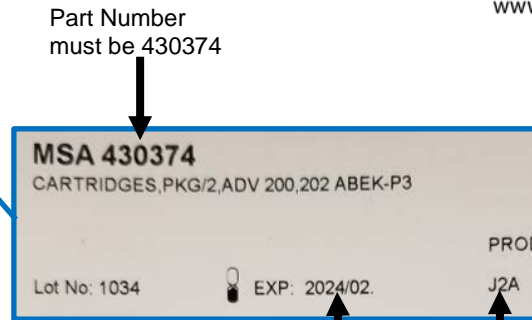
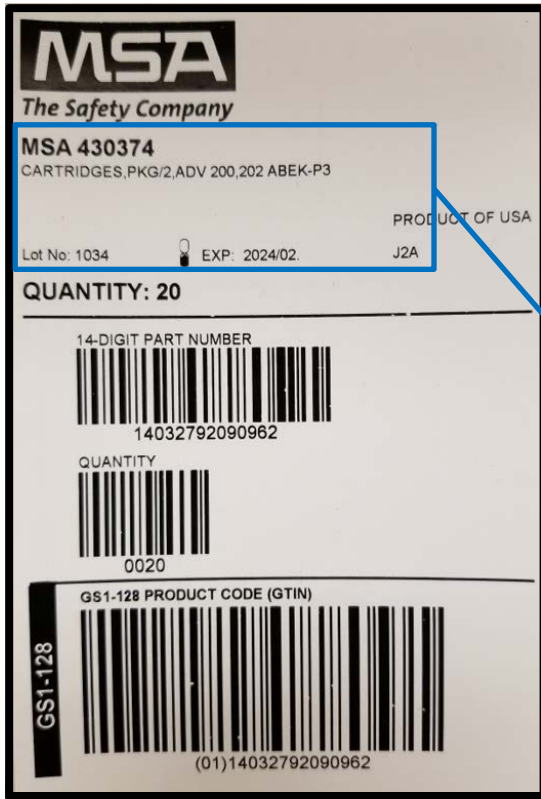
Note that the Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridge does not carry NIOSH approvals. Customers that use NIOSH certified respirators are not impacted by this Notice.

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



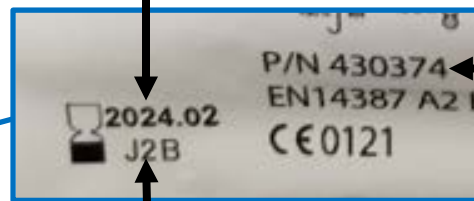
Expiration date must be in range from 2019/04 through 2024/02

Production code must contain a "2" in the second position

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



Expiration date must be in the range from 2019.04 through 2024.02



Part Number must be 430374

Production code must contain a "2" in the second position

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

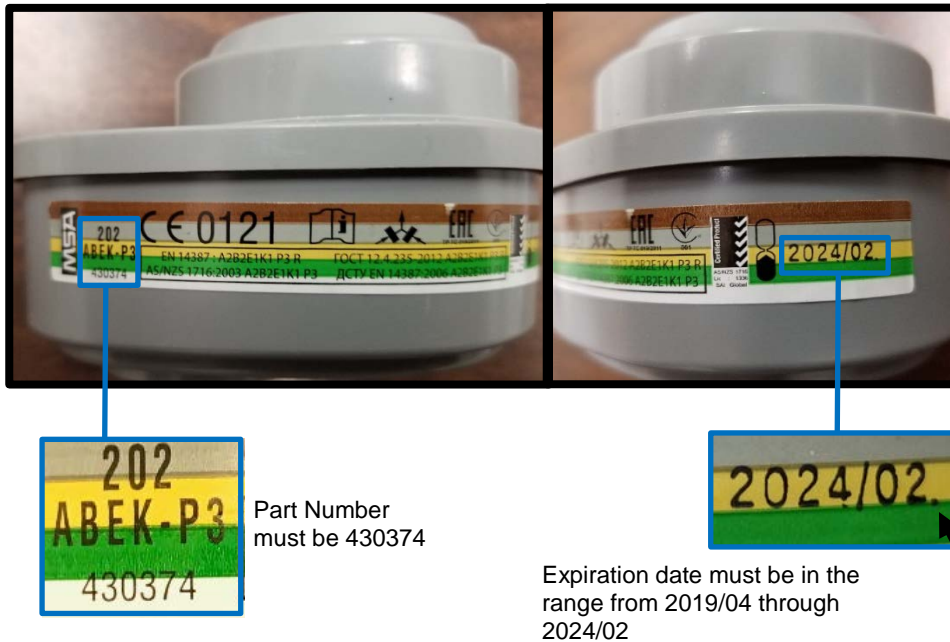


Figure 3: Identifying Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridge for Replacement

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 MSA Customer Service at the appropriate number or email address indicated below:

- Within the U.S., Canada, or U.S. Territories – 1-866-672-0005 or by email at ProductSafetyNotices@MSAafety.com.
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- Outside the U.S. Canada, and U.S. Territories – 724-776-8626 or by email at LAMZonecs@MSAafety.com



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

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nathan Andrulonis". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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 MSA Customer Service at:

- U.S., Canada, or U.S. Territories – ProductSafetyNotices@MSAsafety.com
- Outside the U.S., Canada, and U.S. Territories – LAMZonecs@MSAsafety.com

Multiple orders can be placed by submitting additional copies of this form.

Name: _____

Shipping Address, where replacement cartridges shall be sent:

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Quantity

Potentially Affected Cartridges that have been discarded: _____ Bags

I certify that the all potentially affected MSA Advantage 202 ABEK-P3 Cartridges listed above have been removed from service and discarded.

Signature: _____ Date: _____