

End of Sale Announcement for Aruba 6000 Series Mobility Controllers and M3 Controller Modules

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Overview

Aruba Networks is announcing end of sale of 6000 Series Mobility Controllers, M3 Controller Modules and related accessories.

The Last Order Date for these platforms is October 31, 2014. After that time, the 6000 Series Mobility Controllers, M3 Controller Modules and related accessories will no longer be available for order.

Please note that this end of sales announcements does not include FIPS/TAA compliant 6000 Series platforms, including the 6000 FIPS/TAA chassis and M3mk1 FIPS/TAA Controller Module.

This announcement also includes an end of support of the 6000 Series Mobility Controllers and M3 Controller Modules of October 31, 2019. Aruba’s policy is to support hardware platforms for five years after the end of sales date. At the time of announcement (March 28, 2014), Aruba continues to support the 6000 Series Mobility Controllers and M3 Controller Modules in ArubaOS releases, including AOS 6.4.0. Please contact Aruba sales for additional details on the final supported release of 6000 Series Mobility Controllers and M3 Controller Modules.

End of Sale Part Numbers

This end of sale notice impacts all items listed under the “Aruba Part Number (End of sale)” in both Tables 1 below. Recommended replacement platforms are listed in the following section marked “Recommended Replacement Products”.

Aruba Part Number (End of Sale)	Part Number Description (End of Sale)
M3mk1-S	Aruba Multi-Service Controller Module Mark I, 10x 1000Base-X (SFP), 2x 10GBase-X (XFP), (0 AP Support)
6000-400	Aruba 6000 Base System, SPOE Power, Unrestricted Regulatory Domain. These products should be considered as ‘Rest of World’ products and MUST NOT be used for deployments in the United States or Israel
6000-400-IL	Aruba 6000 Base System, SPOE Power, Restricted Regulatory Domain - IL
6000-400-US	Aruba 6000 Base System, SPOE Power, Restricted Regulatory Domain - US
HW-PSU-200	Aruba 6000 Series Power Supply - 200 Watt

Table 1- 6000 Series Mobility Controllers and M3 Controller Modules

Recommended Replacement Products

The 6000 Series Mobility Controller is a modular based platform with up to four slots. Each slot supports one M3 Controller Module, with each M3 acting as an independent controller. In all cases, the recommended replacement for the 6000 Series Mobility controllers and M3 Controller Modules is the 7200 Series Mobility Controller. The 7200 Series Mobility Controller is a fixed (standalone) Mobility Controller available in three models, 7210, 7220 and 7240. It is essential to understand the capabilities of each 7200 model in comparison to the M3 when determining a replacement. Please refer to Table 2 below for details of the 7200 Series as compared to a single M3 Controller Module.

Model	Max AP Licenses	Firewall Bandwidth	Encrypted Bandwidth (3DES, AES-CBC)	Interfaces	Form Factor
7210	512	20 Gb/s	10 Gb/s	4x 10GbE	Standalone 1RU
7220	1024	40 Gb/s	30 Gb/s	4x 10GbE	Standalone 1RU
7240	2048	40 Gb/s	40 Gb/s	4x 10GbE	Standalone 1RU
M3	512	20 Gb/s	8 Gb/s	2x 10GbE and 10xGbE	Module- up to 4 in 6000 Chassis

Table 2- Comparison of 7200 Series and M3 Mobility Controllers

Additional details may be found on the Aruba Networks web page at the following URL:

<http://www.arubanetworks.com/pdf/products/matrix-mobility-controller.pdf>

It is recommended that each M3 Controller Module be replaced by a single 7200 Series Mobility Controller (7210, 7220 or 7240). It is possible to consolidate multiple M3 Controller Modules into a single 7200 Series as well, but please refer to your Aruba Certified Partner or Aruba sales person for assistance in determining the best 7200 Series platform to meet the scaling and performance requirements of your WLAN. Please refer to Table 3 below for recommended replacements.

End of Sale Part Number	Deployment Location	Recommended Replacement	Comments
M3mk1-S	USA only	7210-US or 7220-US or 7240-US	At minimum, replace one M3 Controller Module with one 7200 Series Mobility Controller.
M3mk1-S	Rest of world (not USA)	7210 or 7220 or 7240	
6000-400-US	USA only	7210-US or 7220-US or 7240-US	The 6000-400-xx is the chassis, and may support up to four M3 Controller Modules. Please follow the Recommended Replacement for the M3 Controller Module.
6000-400	Rest of world (not USA)	7210 or 7220 or 7240	
6000-400-IL	Israel	7210 or 7220 or 7240 (these part numbers are valid for Israel)	

Table 3- 6000 Series Recommended Replacement Products

Summary

Aruba Networks is announcing end of sale of 6000 Series Mobility Controllers, M3 Controller Modules and all related accessories. The Last Order Date for these platforms is October 31, 2014. Aruba will be accepting final orders on the products listed in Table 1 above through October 31, 2014, however this final order date will depend on the continued availability of stock and, at Aruba's discretion, the actual end of sale date may be updated. Aruba will attempt to give as much notice as possible in the event the last order date is changed.

Definitions

- End-of-Sales Announcement (this document): Date of official end-of-sales notice.
- End-of-Sales Date: The last date to order the product through Aruba Networks point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale.
- End-of-Support Date: The last date a product will be supported by Aruba Networks.
- Last Supported Release: The final release of ArubaOS actively supporting the platform.

End-of-Sale Milestones

- End-of-Sales Announcement: March 28, 2014
- End-of-Sales Date: October 31, 2014
- End-of-Support Date: October 31, 2019
- Last Supported Release: No last supported release has been announced for the 6000 Series Mobility controllers and M3 Controller Modules. These products continue to be supported in ArubaOS (AOS 6.4.0) releases at the time of announcement (March 28, 2014). Please contact Aruba sales for additional information.

For questions regarding this end-of-sale announcement, contact eos@arubanetworks.com.