

Product End of Life Notice

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EK/EF26 and EK/EF32 Products



Introduction

The EK/EF26 and EK/EF32 product lines were designed for rugged applications requiring high port counts, offering a combination of Fast and Gigabit port speeds. Despite their continued value, given the availability of critical parts, it is necessary to discontinue the EK/EF26 and EK/EF32 products.

This document describes the alternatives available and provides information on how their features compare with one another.

Timing

Red Lion Controls intends to honor the standard warranty obligation for this product when ordered and delivered in accordance with the following transition schedule. Please note that orders must be placed for immediate delivery.



September 2017

- Announcement to customers

December 29, 2017*

- General availability of EK/EF26 and EK/EF32 switches ceases
- Acceptance of NCNR last time buy orders concludes

*Dates may be subject to change based on availability

Why is this transition taking place?

Availability of parts critical to the manufacture of the EK/EF26 and EK/EF32 are no longer available, making it impractical to continue offering it in our product portfolio.

What happens to my current investment in EK/EF26 and EK/EF32 switches?

Maintaining excellent compatibility for easy and cost-effective transition is an important design criterion when designing next generation products. Red Lion Controls' broad portfolio of rugged Ethernet switches offers customers many options when considering a replacement, including our 7026TX, 7026TX-AC or NT24k managed rack mount switches, which offer similar port configurations.

Please see **Appendix A** for a more detailed comparison of the recommended products.

When considering a suggested replacement, it's important to remember that feature sets and port count can vary between models. See datasheets and product manuals for detailed specifications.

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Appendix A

Comparison of Alternative Switch Options



Part Number	7026TX	7026TX-AC	NT24k Rack Mount
Managed/Unmanaged	Managed	Managed	Managed
Total Ports	26	26	Up to 24
10/100 copper	24	24	N/A
10/100/1000	N/A	N/A	See Datasheet
100 Fiber	N/A	N/A	See Datasheet
Gigabit fiber	N/A	N/A	See Datasheet
Gigabit SFP	2 optional 1000Base SL/LX Fiber or 1000BaseT CU	2 optional 1000Base SL/LX Fiber or 1000BaseT CU	See Datasheet
Dual mode SFP	N/A	N/A	See Datasheet
Operating Temp (degC)	-40 to 80	-40 to 80	-40 to 85
Power Input	18-49 VDC	90-264 AC or 90-300 VDC	Low Voltage 18-49 VDC High Voltage 90-264 AC or 90-300 VDC
IP Rating	IP20	IP20	IP20
Mounting	Rack Mount	Rack Mount	Rack Mount