

# DISCONTINUATION INFORMATION

## PHASE V LAST CALL

### Upgrade «ARTER» gearboxes

«ARTER» gearboxes  
will be phased-out  
by June 2026

Upgrade to the  
latest servo  
technology



#### Your welder model

ABM | BWM | FBB | MWM | SBW | VAA-K



WHY UPGRADE?

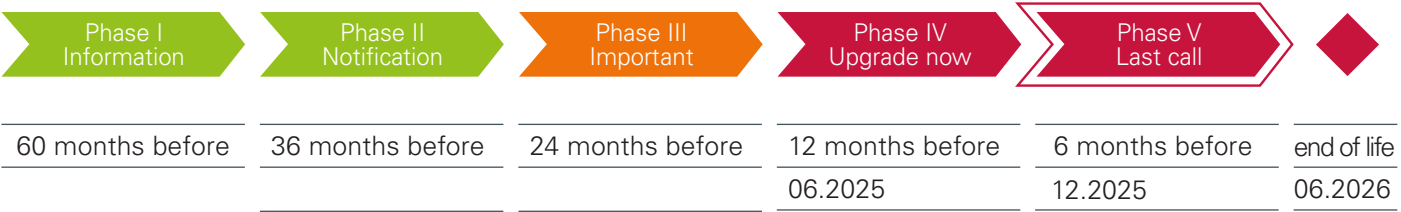
We have received notification from our supplier that production of the «ARTER» gearboxes will be discontinued as of June 2026. In addition, revisions and servicing of these gearboxes will no longer be available starting June 2026.

This development will affect the operation of machines of type following types, as well as other systems using this gearbox model.

- On the ABM, BWM, FBB, MWM, SBW and VAA-K models, the wire drive was equipped with an «ARTER» fine adjustment gear.
- On the ABM, FBB and SBW250 models, the main drive was equipped with an «ARTER» variator gearbox.
- On the FBB model, the ROC discharge belt was driven by an «ARTER» variator gearbox.

As a replacement, we offer upgrades to the latest servo technology for most models to ensure continued operation in the future.

CURRENT PHASE-OUT STATUS



PHASE V: WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?

- Production of element has been stopped because key components are no longer available
- Repairs will be carried out as long as components are available
- We strongly recommend an upgrade or replacement to the latest servo technology, if feasible
- «ARTER» gearboxes will be phased-out, end of life will be 06.2026

Major downtimes of production line are imminent!

## ADVANTAGES OF DRIVE CONVERSIONS

Benefit today from all the advantages of a drive conversion.

- Replacing obsolete variator drives with new frequency drives
- Cost and maintenance reduction
- Simplified handling
- Long-term availability of spare parts
- No loss of production in case of faulty obsolete parts

## OPTIONS AVAILABLE

If you do not plan to replace your old generation welding machine with one of the latest generation in the near future, we strongly recommend that you consider upgrading to a complete Control Cabinet UNICON-TROL. This upgrade also includes the replacement of the drive system. To learn more about the available premium conversions, please see our website: [soudronic.com/conversions](https://soudronic.com/conversions)

## NEXT STEP

Please contact your sales contact or send an email to [spareparts@soudronic.com](mailto:spareparts@soudronic.com). We will be happy to work out a quotation for the conversion or a trade-in offer for your welder.