

MCU W battery shipment restrictions

Renishaw CMM products division

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Summary:

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) recently changed the definition of “equipment” which has resulted in the battery for wireless joysticks MCU W and MCU W-2 being reclassified as a “loose battery”.

The joystick battery now falls under the dangerous goods regulations of UN3480 (IATA 3.9.2.6 for Lithium Batteries) and as such required additional transportation tests to be carried out by an independent test facility.

These tests were carried out in mid-2016 and Renishaw were given clearance to ship the battery to all regions with the exception of North America. Renishaw were informed that North America requires the cell to be CB(v2) certified and the cell we use only has CB(v1) certification.

The consequences of this are: -

- Joystick batteries must not be shipped into North America by any method (by air, sea or hand carried)
- Joystick batteries held in North American stock must not be transported from that facility and must be disposed of locally using approved handlers.
- Renishaw is unable to support wireless joystick customers in North America at this time and alternative products will be made available until a replacement battery is available.

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Further details:

Renishaw expects to have new North American compliant batteries available from March 2017 and they will be sold under a new part number which will be advised in the new year. Customers currently using MCU W or MCU W-2 who require replacement batteries will be offered the loan of an MCU5-2 joystick until the new batteries are available.

North American OEMs / agents / distributors – please forward the serial numbers of any stocked MCU W joystick batteries to your local Renishaw office. The Renishaw office will credit you for the battery(s) after which you will need to dispose of them locally using approved channels.

Non-North American OEMs / Agents/ Distributors and retrofitters – it is prohibited to transport the MCU W joystick battery into North America. Please check any open orders which contain Renishaw UCC controllers to make sure that an MCU W joystick has not been specified.

Part numbers:

Description	Part number
MCU W battery x 2	A-5121-0079
MCU W battery x 1	A-5121-0084
MCU W upgrade kit including batteries	A-1032-0001
MCU W upgrade kit including batteries	A-1032-0002
UCC2 REVO kit including MCU W	A-5121-2016
REVO-2 controller kit including MCU W	A-5518-0098
UCC2 REVO kit	A-5121-2016
MCU W-2	A-5518-1200
REVO-2 controller kit 2 x SPA3 + MCU W-2	A-5518-0190
REVO-2 controller kit + MCU W-2	A-5759-0005

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