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# **Production Discontinuation of MELSEC-F Series Positioning Modules and Peripherals**

■Date of Issue

September 2020

■Relevant Models

FX2N-10GM, FX2N-20GM, FX-PCS-VPS/WIN, FX-PCS-VPS/WIN-E, E-20TP-SET0, E-20TP-E-SET0

Thank you for your continued support of programmable controller MELSEC-F series.

We are informing you that production of the following MELSEC-F series positioning modules and peripherals has been discontinued due to the following reasons.

#### 1 DISCONTINUED MODELS AND SCHEDULE

Discontinued model		Transition to build-	Order acceptance	Production	Repair
Product	Model	to-order system	deadline	discontinuation	acceptance*2
Positioning module	FX2N-10GM FX2N-20GM	January 1, 2020	February 29, 2020*1	March 31, 2020	March 31, 2027 (For 7 years after production is discontinued)
Positioning programming software	FX-PCS-VPS/WIN FX-PCS-VPS/WIN-E				_
Teaching panel	E-20TP-SET0 E-20TP-E-SET0				March 31, 2027 (For 7 years after production is discontinued)

<sup>\*1</sup> We have stopped accepting orders at the end of February 2020, and will discontinue production when the production for accepted orders is finished.

#### 2 REASON FOR PRODUCTION DISCONTINUATION

#### FX2N-10GM, FX2N-20GM

The main parts, the CPU (microprocessor), and the dedicated IC, cannot be obtained.

#### FX-PCS-VPS/WIN, FX-PCS-VPS/WIN-E, E-20TP-SET0, E-20TP-E-SET0

The programming targets FX2N-10GM and FX2N-20GM will be discontinued.

We kindly ask that you plan early for replacement to the replacement models described below.

<sup>\*2</sup> Please note that we cannot accept requests for repair if replacement parts are no longer available even within the repair acceptance period.

## 3 ALTERNATIVE MODEL (ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL)

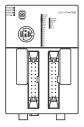
There is no alternative model. For alternatives, refer to the configuration of alternative models.

## 3.1 Replacement Method of FX2N-10GM

Perform replacement with one of the following methods.

#### Configuration of discontinued models

When using FX2N-10GM independently

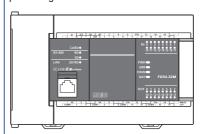


FX2N-10GM

#### Configuration of alternative models

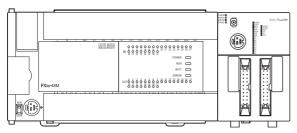
Replace FX2N-10GM with a FX5 CPU module\*1\*2.

Replace the current functions with the functions such as the built-in positioning function.



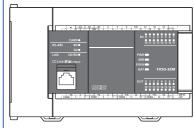
Case: FX5U CPU module

When using FX2N-10GM in combination with a main module (FX2N series or FX3U series)



Case: FX3U main module + FX2N-10GM

Replace FX2N-10GM and the main module with a FX5 CPU module \*1\*2. Replace the current functions with the functions such as the built-in positioning function.



Case: FX5U CPU module

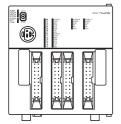
- \*1 The FX5U CPU module is a generic term of FX5UJ CPU modules, FX5U CPU modules, and FX5UC CPU modules.
- \*2 Adjust the control points with FX5 CPU modules, FX5 extension modules, or other modules.

# 3.2 Replacement Method of FX2N-20GM

Perform replacement with one of the following methods.

#### Configuration of discontinued models

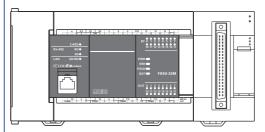
When using FX2N-20GM independently



FX2N-20GM

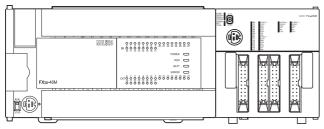
#### Configuration of alternative models

Replace FX2N-20GM with a FX5 CPU module\*1\*2 and FX5-20PG-P. Replace the current functions with the FB library.\*3



Case: FX5U CPU module + FX5-20PG-P

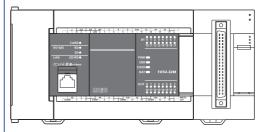
When using FX2N-20GM in combination with a main module (FX2N series or FX3U series)



Case: FX3U main module + FX2N-20GM

Replace FX2N-20GM and the main module with a FX5 CPU module\*1\*2 and FX5-20PG-P

Replace the current functions with the FB library.\*3



Case: FX5U CPU module + FX5-20PG-P

- \*1 The FX5U CPU module is a generic term of FX5UJ CPU modules, FX5U CPU modules, and FX5UC CPU modules.
- \*2 Adjust the control points with FX5 CPU modules, FX5 extension modules, or other modules.
- \*3 When linear interpolation, circular interpolation, or a manual pulse generator is not used in FX2N-20GM, replacement can be performed only by FX5 CPU modules. Replace the current functions with the built-in positioning function.

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## **REVISIONS**

Version	Date of Issue	Revision
A	September 2020	Change of the issue number from HIME-T-P-0192 Addition of FX5UJ CPU modules to the alternative model configuration Addition of the "manual pulse generator" to the note for FX2N-20GM replacement