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## Urgent Field Safety Notice

### McGRATH™ MAC Video Laryngoscope

Item Code 300-000-000 Devices Beyond the 5-Year Useful Life  
Notification

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Medtronic Reference: FA1424

EU Manufacturer Single Registration Number (SRN): US-MF-000028763

Dear Valued Customer:

Medtronic records indicate that McGRATH™ MAC video laryngoscopes (Item Code 300-000-000) were shipped to your facility prior to 2019. This letter is to inform you that these devices are now past their 5-year useful life and should be removed from service.

In July 2024, Medtronic issued an Urgent Field Safety Notice for McGRATH™ MAC video laryngoscopes, item codes 300-000-000, which were within their useful life of 5 years (Serial numbers 366170 to 405673).

This letter is to inform you that the July 2024 notification applies to devices beyond their 5-Year Useful Life (Serial numbers prior to 366170). The issue and potential risks, as described below, are the same for devices of all ages, within and beyond their useful life.

#### Product Scope:

Item Code	GTIN	Description	Affected Serial Numbers
300-000-000	15060272980020 05060272980023	McGRATH™ MAC Video Laryngoscope	All serial Numbers prior to 366170*

\* Serial Numbers 366170 to 405673 were part of the July 2024 communication

#### July 2024 Urgent Field Safety Notice - Issue Description:

This removal was initiated following the receipt of two customer reports stating that the installed battery in McGRATH™ MAC Video Laryngoscope devices, item code 300-000-000, experienced a

thermal event<sup>1</sup>, which resulted in an explosion of the battery assembly before patient use. In one of these two instances, there were caregiver injuries. Our investigations have determined that the battery management system within the devices being removed (McGRATH™ MAC Video Laryngoscope device, item code 300-000-000) is not sufficient to mitigate against depletion of the battery voltage below the design threshold. Batteries that are depleted below the design threshold may increase the risk of the battery becoming unstable, which may lead to a thermal event<sup>1</sup> followed by a risk of explosion.

### **Risk to Health:**

A thermal event<sup>1</sup> followed by a risk of explosion of the battery assembly can potentially cause caregivers and/or patients to experience burns, lacerations, tinnitus, hearing impairment and acoustic shock. The potential for a delay to treatment, respiratory failure, hypoxia, unspecified tissue injury, scar tissue, foreign body in patient or caregiver, tooth loss, and eye injury also exist. There also exists the potential for damage to surrounding equipment or surfaces.

### **Patient Management:**

There are no additional patient management recommendations that should be employed for patients where potentially affected devices were previously used.

### **Actions you should take:**

- Immediately discontinue use of all 300-000-000 devices. All 300-000-000 devices, irrespective of age, present the same risk to health outlined above.
- Uninstall the battery assembly from the devices and dispose of both the device and battery per local procedures.
- Pass this notice on to all who need to be aware within your organization or to any organization where the potentially affected devices have been transferred or distributed.

### **Additional Information:**

**Next generation McGRATH™ MAC video laryngoscopes, item code 301-000-000, are not affected and can continue to be used for patient care.**

Medtronic has notified the Competent Authority of your country of this action.

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<sup>1</sup> Thermal event is a condition in which the chemical reactions within the battery generate abnormally high temperatures.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause. We are committed to patient safety and appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions related to this issue, please contact your local Medtronic representative at 01 511 1400.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bethany Moxon', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bethany Moxon

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