

# Field Safety Notice



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Please forward this information to all relevant users, biomedical staff and risk management department concerned in your facility

## Subject: SERVO-air

### Products affected:

Product	Article No.	S/N or Batch No.
SERVO-air	66 82 000	All serial numbers with currently released software version 1.00.03 or older.

Dear Customer,

The purpose of this letter is to inform about a potential issue found in the SERVO-air ventilator. Our records indicate that your facility has received one or more of these ventilators.

### Normal use and Indications

Under normal circumstances, if a software-related error is detected, the system will resolve it automatically while ventilation continues uninterrupted.

### The following has been discovered

Under certain conditions, we have identified that an internal communication error might prevent the execution of the automatic failure handling process. As a consequence ventilation will stop and a high priority alarm will be triggered. We are aware of two instances where this issue has led to patient injury.

### Potential hazards

This issue will stop ventilation, with the safety and the expiratory valves open, thus allowing the patient to breathe freely, but without ventilator support. The high priority technical error alarms TE43, TE78, TE80 and TE81 will be activated simultaneously.

## Precautions

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The SERVO-air ventilator can be used in accordance to the instructions for use, with extra attention to the following:

- Never leave the patient unattended when connected to the ventilator system.
- Make sure that a resuscitator is readily available.
- Act as instructed on alarms:  
In case of a technical error TE43, TE78, TE80, TE81 replace the ventilator immediately and contact your Getinge/Maquet representative.

## Corrective action

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A new system software version 2.01.02 that will correct this behavior is being developed.

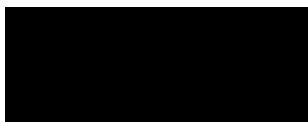
Getinge/Maquet will initiate an immediate update of all affected SERVO-air units as soon as the system software version 2.01.02 is released. You will be contacted by your Getinge/Maquet sales or service representative to plan for the update of your ventilator.

Please maintain awareness on this notice and related actions until your ventilator has been updated to ensure effectiveness of the corrective action.

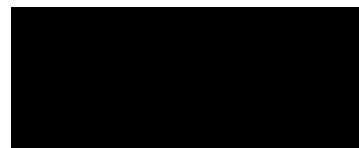
We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and we will do our utmost to carry through this update as swiftly as possible.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact your local Getinge/Maquet representative.

Sincerely,



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