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PRODUCT DISCONTINUATION NOTICE

Select 3 M™ L-Series Headgear;
3M™ General Purpose Headgear Assemblies 520-01-83R01 and 520-02-28R01;
3M™ S-333S and S-333L Headcovers

Valued 3M Distributors:

As part of our continuing efforts to offer a full yet streamlined product portfolio, we are discontinuing select 3M™ L-Series Headgear, 3M™ General Purpose Headgear Assemblies 520-01-83R01 and 520-02-28R01, and 3M™ S-333 Headcovers. Please review this document for information of discontinued product, as well as suggested product replacement information.











Please make sure to read all three parts of this document.

Part I: Select 3M™ L-Series Headgear Products

The following 3M™ L-Series Headgear products will be discontinued, effective December 1, 2011. After this date, these products will be available for purchase until inventory is depleted or February 28, 2012, whichever is sooner.

Product Number and Description	UPC	SKU
3M™ Bumpcap, Respiratory Protection System Component L-501/37008(AAD), with Wide-view Faceshield 1/case	00051131370081	70-0707-9890-8
3M™ Bumpcap L-503, with Welding Shield 1/Case	00051138661489	70-0707-9891-6
3M™ Bumpcap L-505, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Cs	00051138661496	70-0707-9892-4
3M™ Hardhat L-701, with Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case	00051138661519	70-0707-9894-0
3M™ Hardhat L-703, with Welding Shield 1/Case	00051138661526	70-0707-9895-7
3M™ Hardhat L-705, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case	00051138661533	70-0707-9896-5
3M™ Helmet L-901, with Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case	00051138661557	70-0707-9898-1
3M™ Helmet L-905, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case	00051138661564	70-0707-9899-9
3M™ Belt-Mounted Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR) Paint Spray Kit, Respiratory Protection GVP-PSK/07190(AAD) 1 Kit/case	00051131071902	70-0710-9056-0

The following table illustrates suggested replacement products:

Discontinued Product(s)		Suggested Replacement Product(s)	
	3M™ Bumpcap, Respiratory Protection System Component L-501/37008(AAD), with Wide-view Faceshield 1/cs		<p>3M™ Versaflo™ Respiratory Faceshield Assembly M-105/37314(AAD), with Standard Visor and Face Seal 1/Case</p> <p>3M™ Versaflo™ Respiratory Faceshield Assembly M-107, with Premium Visor and Face Seal 1/Case</p> <p>NOTE: Faceshield Head Inserts M-170/37318(AAD) are available for applications that require lightweight head coverage from dirt and overspray as well as minimal protection from contact with stationary objects. For applications requiring hard hat protection consider M-300 Series, M-400 Series, or L-901SG.</p>
	3M™ Bumpcap L-503, with Welding Shield 1/Case		3M™ Hardhat L-705SG, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case (for ADF use)
	3M™ Bumpcap L-505, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case		3M™ Hardhat L-705SG-F, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case (for Fixed Shade use)
	3M™ Hardhat L-701*, with Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case		<p>3M™ Versaflo™ Respiratory Hardhat Assembly M-305*, with Standard Visor and Face Seal 1/Case</p> <p>3M™ Versaflo™ Respiratory Hardhat Assembly M-307*, with Premium Visor and Face Seal 1/Case</p> <p>3M™ Helmet L-901SG, with Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case</p>
	3M™ Hardhat L-703, with Welding Shield 1/Case		3M™ Hardhat L-705SG, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case (for ADF use)
	3M™ Hardhat L-705, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case		3M™ Hardhat L-705SG-F, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case (for Fixed Shade use)

	3M™ Helmet L-901*, with Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case		3M™ Versaflo™ Respiratory Helmet Assembly M-405*, with Standard Visor and Shroud 1/Case 3M™ Versaflo™ Respiratory Helmet Assembly M-407*, with Premium Visor and Flame Resistant Shroud 1/Case 3M™ Helmet L-901SG, with Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case
	3M™ Helmet L-905, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case		3M™ Helmet L-905SG, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case (for ADF use) 3M™ Helmet L-905SG-F, with Welding Shield and Wide-view Faceshield 1/Case (for Fixed Shade use)
	3M™ Belt-Mounted Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR) Paint Spray Kit, Respiratory Protection GVP-PSK/07190(AAD) 1 Kit/cs		3M™ Belt-Mounted PAPR Painter's Kit GVP-PSK2/37335(AAD) 1/Case

NOTE: L-701 and L-901 meet ANSI Z89.1-2003 requirements for Type II Class G hardhats. In addition L-901 meets the requirements for CAN/CSA Z94.1-92 protection. The M-300 and M-400 series products meet the ANSI Z89.1-2003 requirements for Type I Class G hardhats. If the application requires ANSI Z89.1-2003 Type II or CAN/CSA Z94.1-92 protection the user should consider an L-901SG series product.

3M will continue to support all other L-Series parts and accessories for up to three years, but encourages all L-Series headgear users to transition to the suggested replacement products as soon as possible. To help aid in this transition, all of the 3M™ Versaflo™ M-Series and L-Series "SG" products listed as suggested replacement products are approved with the 3M™ GVP Powered Air Purifying Respirator and 3M™ V-Series Supplied Air Valves. This means all L-Series users may use their existing air source with the suggested replacement products.




L-501, L-701, and L-901 customers should strongly consider the suggested 3M™ Versaflo™ M-Series Headgear replacement products when appropriate for the application. The M-Series products are lighter weight than the comparable L-Series products and have features such as directable airflow and a visor with excellent peripheral and downward vision. For more information on the 3M™ Versaflo™ M-Series Headgear, please contact your local 3M representative or visit 3M.com/Versaflo.

Part II: 3M™ General Purpose Headgear Assemblies 520-01-83R01 and 520-02-28R01

3M is simplifying its line of 3M™ Breathe Easy™ headgear. As a part of this process, we're announcing the discontinuation of the following products, effective December 1, 2011. After this date, these products will be available for purchase until inventory is depleted or February 28, 2012, whichever is sooner.

Product Number and Description	UPC	SKU
3M™ General Purpose Headgear Assembly 520-01-83R01, White 1/cs	00051138721787	70-0708-8482-3
3M™ General Purpose Headgear Assembly 520-02-28R01, Black 1/cs	00051138721831	70-0708-8487-2

The following table shows some suggested replacement products:

Discontinued Product(s)		Suggested Replacement Product(s)	
	3M™ General Purpose Headgear Assembly 520-01-83R01, White 1/Case		3M™ Versaflo™ M-305 Helmet with Standard Visor and Face Seal.
	3M™ General Purpose Headgear Assembly 520-02-28R01, Black 1/Case		NOTE: All Versaflo™ M-Series products are approved for use with 3M™ Breathe Easy™ Powered Air Purifying Respirator System. Use the BE-324 breathing tube to complete the PAPR system.

3M will continue to support the parts and accessories for these headgear assemblies for up to three years, but encourages the users of these products to transition to the similar 3M™ Versaflo™ M-Series Headgear product as soon as possible. To help aid in this transition, the Versaflo Helmet M-305 is approved with the 3M™ Breathe Easy™ Powered Air Purifying Respirator System. This means existing 520-01-83R01 and 520-02-28R01 users may continue to use their current Breathe Easy™ PAPR with the Versaflo™ M-305 Helmet.




Users will need to purchase a new breathing tube, BE-324. Customers who use the 520-01-83R01 and 520-02-28R01 with R-Series Supplied Air Valves should consider upgrading to the M-305 with a V-Series Supplied Air Valve. The M-Series products include features such as directable airflow and a visor with excellent peripheral and downward vision. For more information on the 3M™ Versaflo™ M-Series Headgear please contact your local 3M representative or visit 3M.com/Versaflo.

Part III: 3M™ S-333S and S-333L Headcovers

The 3M™ S-333S and S-333L Headcovers will be discontinued, effective September 1, 2011. After this date, these products will be available for purchase until inventory is depleted or December 1, 2011, whichever is sooner.

Product Number and Description	UPC	SKU
3M(TM) High Durability Headcover with Integrated Head Suspension S-333S, Small/Medium, 1/case	00051131170810	70071533155
3M(TM) High Durability Headcover with Integrated Head Suspension S-333L, Medium/Large, 1/case	00051131170797	70071533130

The following table shows some suggested replacement products:

Discontinued Product(s)		Suggested Replacement Product(s)	
	3M™ High Durability Headcover with Integrated Head Suspension, S-333S, Small/Medium, 1/case		3M™ Versaflo™ Headcover with Integrated Head Suspension, S-133S-5, White, Small/Medium, 5/case
	3M™ High Durability Headcover with Integrated Head Suspension, S-333L, Medium/Large, 1/case		3M™ Versaflo™ Headcover with Integrated Head Suspension, S-133L-5, White, Medium/Large, 5/case

The 3M™ Versaflo™ Headcover S-133 is the same as the 3M™ Versaflo™ High Durability Headcover S-333, with the exception of the fabric used. If a higher durability product is required, please consider the 3M™ Versaflo™ Faceshield M-105 or the 3M™ Versaflo™ Hood with Integrated Suspension S-533. The S-133, M-105, and S-533 products are all approved for use with the 3M™ GVP PAPR, 3M™ Breathe Easy™ PAPR and 3M™ V-Series Supplied Air Valves. For more information on 3M™ Versaflo™ Respirator Systems products, please contact your local 3M representative or visit [3M.com/Versaflo](https://www.3m.com/Versaflo).

3M remains committed to providing products that offer value and performance, and we trust that our ongoing efforts will serve you well. For additional information regarding this notice, please contact your local 3M representative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Kehoe". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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