Technical Note TN007 - Instant Access to Life Cycle and Obsolete Product Data Online for TT Electronics Resistors

Introduction

TT Electronics is committed to supporting our customers in managing obsolescence throughout the lifetime of their products. To this end, life cycle data is given on all parts, and basic data and datasheets for obsolete parts are retained indefinitely. This information may be accessed from the information page for individual product types, which is reached by one of two methods:

1. Entering part numbers or keywords in [Product Search] (top right on all pages), or using the search box on [https://www.ttelectronics.com](https://www.ttelectronics.com). This method will include any relevant obsolete products in the results.

2. Entering parameters on the search page [https://www.ttelectronics.com/products/categories/resistors/resistors/](https://www.ttelectronics.com/products/categories/resistors/resistors/). Since it is primarily aimed at designers, this method will exclude obsolete products from the results.

Information Page

The information page includes a Life Cycle Data tab which details the following information for the selected product type:

- Life cycle status (growth, mature, decline, not recommended for new designs (NRND) or obsolete)
- Dated estimate of years to end of life which is reviewed at least annually, and is a maximum of 5
- Link to PCN(s) if any, with multiple PCNs being combined into a single PDF
- Alternative close equivalent part if any
NRND and Obsolete Products

NRND and obsolete products are clearly identified as such in the product description and on the datasheet. Obsolete products can only be found by entering partial part numbers in Product Search, and not by the parametric search used by designers. In Life Cycle Data, the EOL estimate date shows the actual month and year of obsolescence. The latest PCN date is listed, and the compilation of PCNs may be accessed under Certificates. If close alternative parts are available, the product type is shown.