



HW Series Switches

Product Change Notice



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Dear Valued Partners,

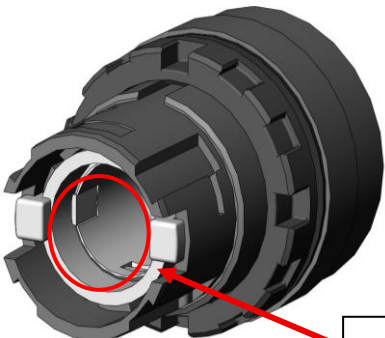
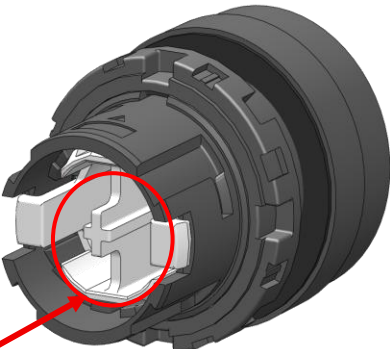
IDEC would like to provide important information regarding the ongoing transition to the updated HW Series Switches. These design changes began on June 15, 2026, and are intended to enhance user safety and simplify installation while maintaining the same product functionality, electrical ratings, and certifications. Details are as follows:

1. Unified Switch Heads (Operators)

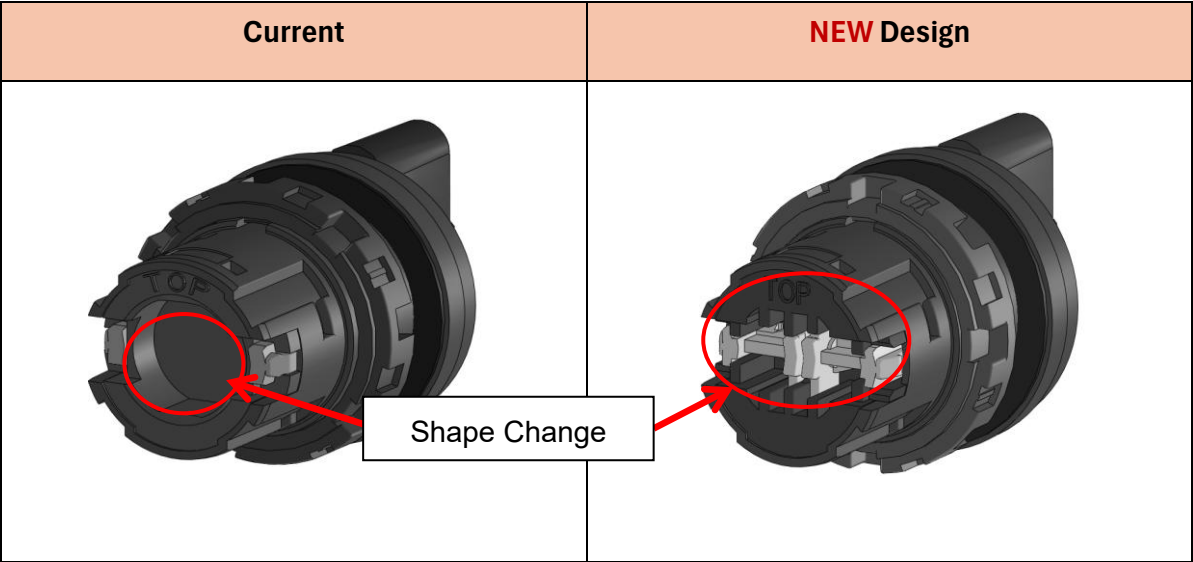
To offer greater flexibility and reduce inventory complexity, we are redesigning our switch heads (operators) to be universally compatible with both screw and push-in terminal types.

Users can now switch between terminal styles by replacing only the rear connecting unit instead of the entire switch assembly. Additionally, the updated design includes a central pusher, enabling customers to mount up to three contact blocks in the first layer when using push-in switches.

- **Pushbuttons (Part number starting with: HW*B-M1, HW*B-M2):**

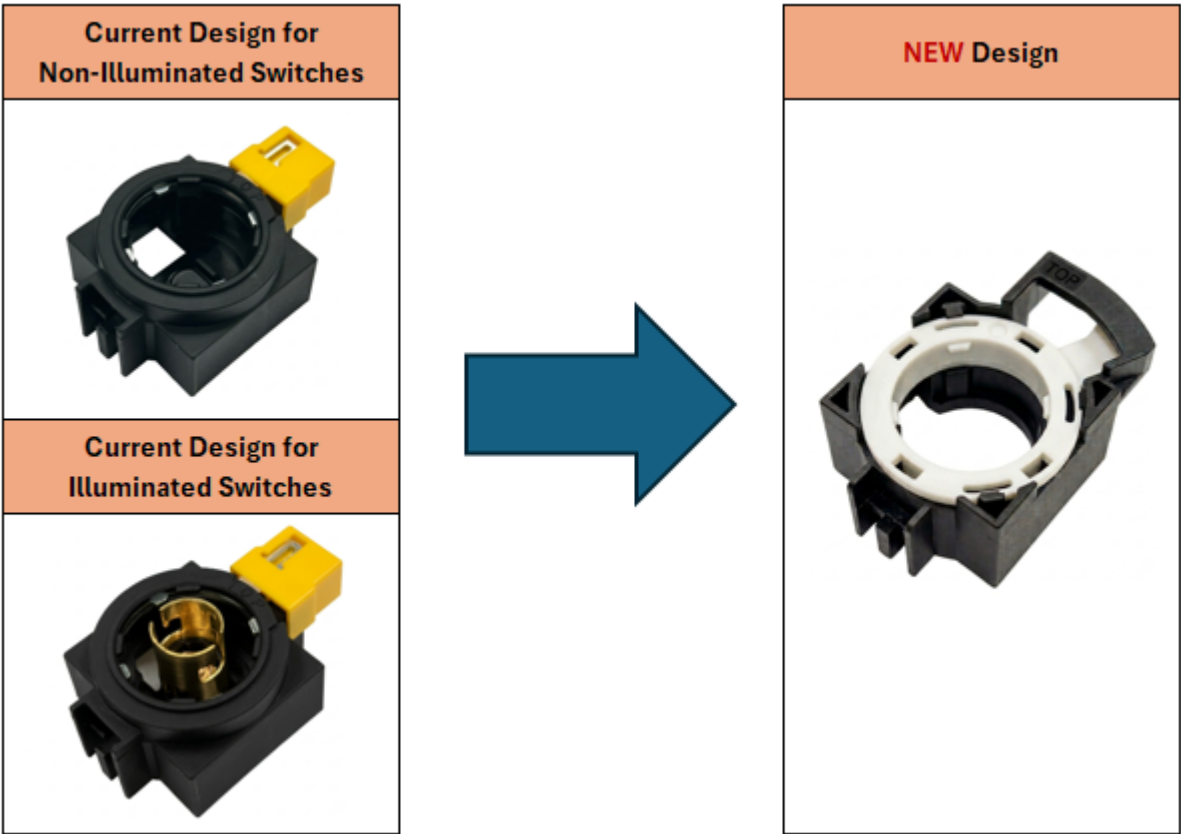
Current Design	NEW Design
	
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- **Selector Switches (Part number starting with: HW*S, HW*K):**



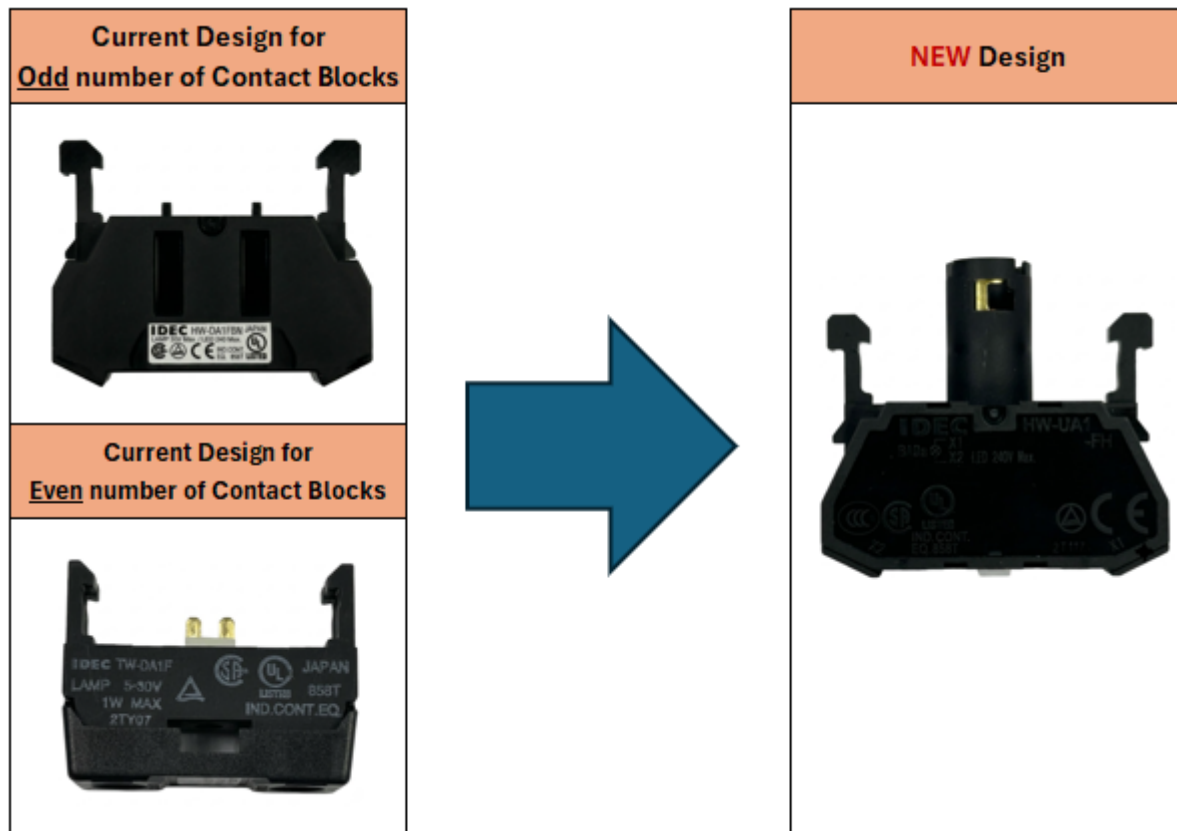
2. Unified Connecting Units & Simplified Locking Mechanism

The connecting units have been unified into a single, universal design that is compatible with both non-illuminated and illuminated switches, eliminating the need for two separate variations. Additionally, the individual yellow lever stopper has been replaced by a one-piece lever structure with an integrated locking mechanism, simplifying the installation process.



3. Unified full voltage adapter

The full voltage adapter has been redesigned as a single universal model. Previously, different adapter models were required depending on whether an odd or even number of contact blocks were used. The updated adapter is now universally compatible with all contact configurations. Additionally, because the lamp holder has been relocated from the connecting unit to the full voltage adapter, we have coated the adapter's metal components with resin to enhance insulation and provide superior protection against electric shock.

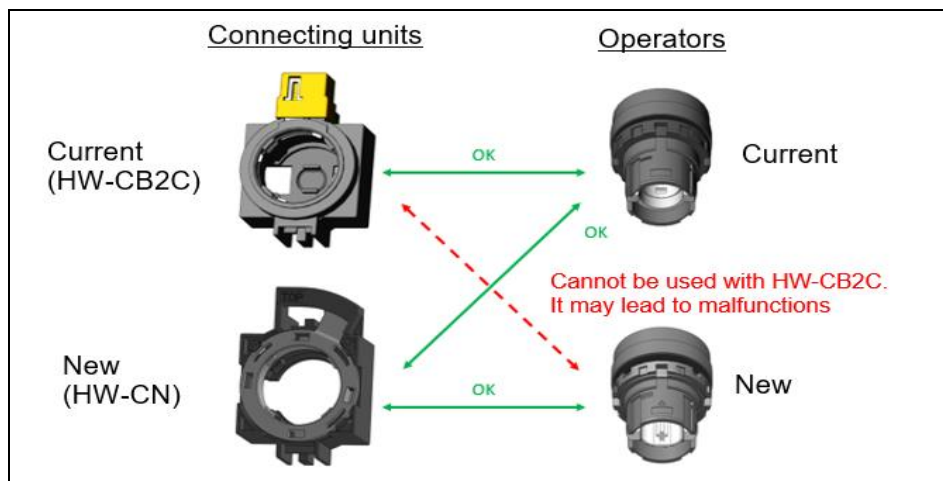


4. Compatibility of Current and New Operators with Connecting Units

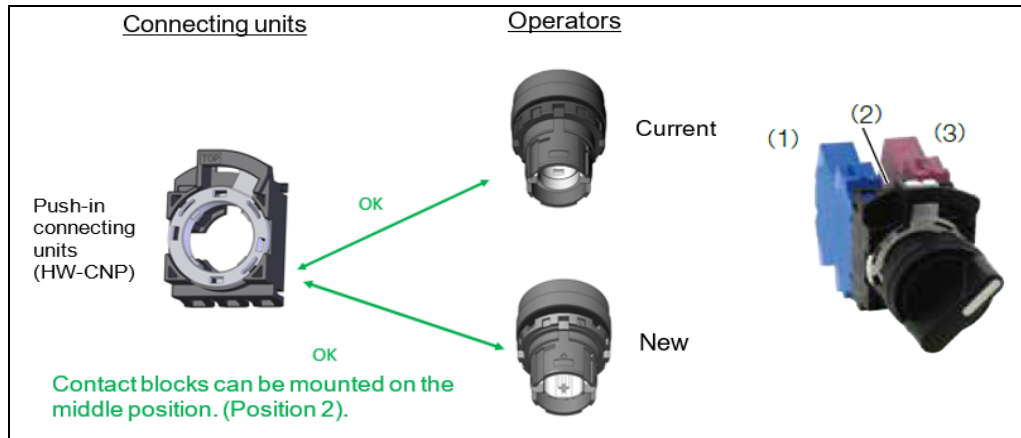
- HW Series **Screw Terminal** Control Units

****IMPORTANT NOTE****

The new operator design is not compatible with existing connecting units. New operators and connecting units must be used together and cannot be mixed with previous-generation components.



- HW series **Push-in** control units



5. Implementation Schedule

- **Effective Date:**

Beginning June 15, 2026, IDEC began shipping HW Series products with the updated design.

- **Inventory Transition:**

During the transition period, shipments may include either the previous or updated design depending on inventory availability. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we complete this transition.

6. Pricing and Part Numbers

- **Pricing:**

There will be no change in pricing for the updated HW Series Switches.

- **Complete Products (Assembled Switches):**

There is no change to the part numbers for assembled switches.

Your existing ordering processes for assembled switches remain the same.

- **Component Parts:**

To reflect the new design changes, part numbers for individual components will change.

This includes:

- **New Operators:**

All updated Sub-Assembled Operators will now include the suffix "-PS-U".

The Operators BOM parts will now include the suffix "-N-PI".

- **New Connecting Units (Screw Type):**

The new one-piece lever units are identified by part number HW-CN

- **New full voltage adapter**

The new full voltage adapter will be identified by part number HW-UA1-FH

7. Additional Support

This communication provides important information regarding the ongoing transition to the updated HW Series design, which began on June 15, 2026. Additional information, including video tutorials and supporting materials, will be provided in future communications.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or need assistance, please contact your IDEC Corporation representative or reach out to our Customer Support / Technical Support team.

Thank you for your continued support. We are confident these design improvements will provide greater installation flexibility and an improved user experience with the HW Series Switches.