

## Service life of industrial switches

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### AI Overview

Industrial switches generally have a service life of 10–15 years, though actual lifespan depends on usage, environment, and maintenance. Mechanical vs Electrical Life Industrial switches, including contactors, load switches, and circuit breakers, have two distinct life measures: mechanical and electrical. The mechanical life refers to the number of operations a switch can perform without electrical load, while the electrical life accounts for operations under load conditions. Mechanical life is influenced by design, contact forces, and moving masses, with large load switches and circuit breakers typically having shorter mechanical life than smaller contactors. Electrical life is determined by the size of the load and the utilization category, and components may need replacement once this limit is reached. Typical Lifespan Ranges Industrial network switches (e.g., PoE Ethernet switches) are designed for harsh environments and can last 10–15 years under proper conditions, including temperature extremes, humidity, and vibration. Enterprise network switches generally have a shorter operational life of 5–7 years, though with maintenance and support, they can remain functional for over 10 years. Switchgear components such as enclosures and busbars may last 15–30 years, and in some cases, switchgear can remain in service for 50 years or more if properly maintained. Environmental and Operational Factors The lifespan of industrial switches is heavily influenced by environmental conditions: Temperature extremes: Continuous exposure to high or low temperatures can accelerate aging, especially for electronic components. Moisture and humidity: Even with high IP-rated enclosures, prolonged exposure to moisture can degrade seals and internal components. Vibration and shock: Industrial environments with heavy machinery or transport systems can stress internal components, potentially reducing lifespan. Switching frequency: High numbers of switching operations, particularly under load, can shorten electrical life. Maintenance...

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What is the life expectancy of switchgear?

The enclosure, bussing, etc. has a 15-30 year life span, but that is not a mandatory requirement. It is not uncommon to have 50 years and older switchgear in service and working well.

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