Extended Warranty Plan Contract

Model EW6 – Extended Warranty Parts Only

The basic EW6 contract provides the following benefits:

- Telephone support
- Field-serviceable Gatan products under this contract type do not include onsite visits (labor)
- No charge for Gatan-manufactured replacement parts (except spares & consumables)
- Discounts on spares and certain consumable parts

Emergency Service

If an EW6-covered Gatan product becomes inoperable or fails to perform to specifications, contact the Gatan Service Department (www.gatan.com/contact) immediately to report the problem.

If it is determined that a service visit is required, Gatan will provide a quote for the labor and travel expenses, and the customer must submit a purchase order before a visit by a Gatan engineer will be scheduled. Any parts (except spares & consumables) needed to repair the product will be replaced free-of-charge.

If it is determined that the product must be returned to the Gatan factory for service, the customer must first obtain returned materials authorization (RMA) approval. This RMA, and the associated RMA number must be obtained directly from Gatan’s Warrendale, PA, USA facility by filling out the form from the Gatan website (www.gatan.com/rma). Upon receipt of the filled out form, an RMA number will be assigned. The returned item must be shipped, prepaid by the customer, with the RMA number clearly marked on the exterior of the shipping container and on the enclosed shipping documents.

Upon inspection of the product by Gatan, the customer will be sent a quote for the estimated labor required to repair the instrument. After receipt of a purchase order by the customer, the instrument will be repaired and returned. Return transportation will be charged to the customer. Any parts (except spares & consumables) needed to repair the product will be replaced free-of-charge.

Parts

All parts, except spares and consumables, will be replaced free-of-charge. Spares and consumables include parts listed, and at times, not listed, within the Spares & Consumables catalog available through the Gatan website (www.gatan.com). They include but are not limited to, pump oil, filters, vacuum pumps, photo-multiplier tubes, collection mirrors (for cathodoluminescence systems), polishing wheels, polishing materials, targets, heater coils, flex cables, fiber optics, and scintillators. These spares and consumables will be provided at a 20% discount.
CCDs and sensors are fully covered and will be replaced free-of-charge in the event of failure. If the contracted camera has a bonded CCD and fiber optic in which both the scintillator and fiber optic are damaged through misuse, the entire optical stack (scintillator + fiber optic + CCD) will be replaced at a 10% discount.

Coverage of third-party computers and computer peripherals is not included in the Gatan EW6 contract.

Computers that are supplied by Gatan with the product are covered by a separate multi-year warranty plan from Dell or the computer manufacturer. Any service or parts required specifically for the computer will be done with the assistance of the computer manufacturer.

Software Upgrades
An EW6 contract entitles the customer to free Gatan software product upgrades (revisions) to core Gatan control software, as well as plug-ins required to operate Gatan products covered by the EW6 contract. An example of an update is a minor version release to fix reported bugs or problems. These upgrades are typically customer installable. If additional hardware or upgrades to existing hardware are required to utilize these software updates, the customer will be able to purchase the necessary Gatan-manufactured products at a 25% discount off the list price.

Upgrades from one major release to another release of Gatan Microscopy Suite® (GMS) (e.g., GMS 2 to GMS 3) for products covered under the EW6 contract can be purchased at a 25% discount. If additional hardware or upgrades to existing hardware are required to utilize these software updates, the customer will be able to purchase the necessary Gatan-manufactured products at a 25% discount off the list price.

Coverage of third-party software is not included in the Gatan EW6 contract.

Shipping Containers
If a factory-service product covered under EW6 contract must be shipped back to the Gatan factory, the customer is responsible for shipping the product in the original shipping container. If the original packaging is no longer available, Gatan will ship suitable packaging to the customer at a 25% discount off the cost of the packaging, plus the cost of freight from our Warrendale, PA, USA facility. The customer will pay for shipping the packaged product to Gatan, and Gatan will pay for return shipping of the serviced instrument to the customer. In all cases, the customer is responsible for insurance of the instrument.

Services Outside the Scope of the EW6 Contract
If a customer needs service beyond what is covered by this EW5 agreement, Gatan will provide a detailed quote listing an estimate of the required labor and/or parts. The labor rate for this service, the cost of any required parts, and any additional training will be discounted by 10%. Living and travel expenses will be billed at their full rate.
Field Service Engineers
Trained service engineers will conduct all of the services on the Gatan product. Every Gatan Field Service Engineer has had extensive training on all of the products for which they are certified. Gatan may also provide service through a Gatan-trained third-party representative. For service on your equipment, please contact the Gatan Service Office in your area. Individual contact through the engineer is not advisable as the engineer assigned to your case can be changed at any time.

Pre-Inspection of Instruments
In some cases, customers with instruments which are no longer under a Gatan warranty will want to take advantage of the Extended Warranty Service program. It may be possible to do so, but before Gatan accepts a Service Contract for an out-of-warranty product, an onsite or factory service may be required to assure that the product has no existing problems or faults. If an EW6 contract is purchased after the onsite visit or factory service, the cost of parts (if any), labor more than two (2) days, and travel expenses for more than one (1) visit to bring the unit up to acceptable standards will be reduced by 20%. If the customer does not purchase an EW6 contract after the system has been repaired to operating specifications, the full list prices apply for labor, travel expenses, and parts used.

Remote Support
Some service and performance issues can be corrected remotely. EW6 contract customers are eligible for remote support to triage and/or correct the system via remote access. Please contact svcontracts@gatan.com to see if this is appropriate and permitted for your location.

Hours of Service
Any service visit will be made during Gatan business hours 8:00 a.m through 5:00 p.m. excluding Gatan holidays.

Contacting Gatan
Customers may contact any of our regional offices listed at www.gatan.com/contact at any time of the day or night to register a request for service. Our call center number 1-888-778-7933 is monitored frequently to ensure initiation of the service request. Alternatively, customers may initiate a request for service via our website using the Support Request Form with a detailed description of the problem or via email by sending a detailed description of the problem to svcontracts@gatan.com. A trained technician will respond either by phone or email to discuss the support request.

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