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Caring For Your Controller Can Extend Its Working Life

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Protecting and caring for your controller can help extend its working life. By following a few simple guidelines, your controller could last you 15 years or more as many of our customers can attest. There is always a chance a part can fail but by giving your controller, or electronics in general, the best environment and care, chances are you will get many years of use out of them.

Here are a few helpful hints to extend your controller's life:

- Be mindful to not let dirt and debris collect on the controller or inside the control box. Use proper ventilation and work away from the kiln with certain materials.
- Keep your kiln and controller out of weather. It's important to keep your kiln in a controlled environment where rain or other damaging weather can reach it. Water and electronics don't mix.
- Make sure the controller has good ventilation to it. If over heating is problem, try directing a fan at the kilns control box to help keep the controller cool during a firing.
- Be aware of static build up. A large build up of static can damage the controller. Try touching the side of the kiln before the controller to ground yourself.
- Ground the kiln to help protect against electrical spikes or lightning strikes, which have devastating effects on all electronics

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