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## ***New crimp tool offerings are lower cost with improved performance***

We have just recently added three new crimp tools to address feedback that we've heard from our customers regarding the cost of tooling to crimp our LMR®-500 and LMR®-600 connectors.

First, we are replacing the old HX-4 crimp handle with the new CT-U. The CT-U has been designed from scratch as a Times Microwave Systems tool and is much more rugged than the old HX-4. All of the machined aluminum components which make up the tool have been optimized for strength and are assembled using ¼" diameter high strength alloy pins.

The new CT-U has a safety release lever to release the ratchet without needing to complete the crimp cycle making it both safer and much more user friendly in terms of optimizing the crimp location. An additional improvement made on the new tool is the addition of a storage location in the crimp handle for a second set of dies. This makes it very convenient if you happen to be working with two different cable sizes and also gives you the peace of mind that you know where your second set of dies are at all times.

We are pleased to say that even though the new CT-U tool is a better, stronger tool than the crimp handle that it replaces, we have been able to reduce the cost and offer this tool at a List Price of \$375.00. These tools will be in stock in May 2015.

We have also introduced two new fixed die crimp tools (CT-500 and the CT-600) for the LMR®-500 and LMR®-600 crimp connectors. These tools have shorter handles than the CT-U and require a little bit of strength but are very cost effective. We are Listing these two new tools at \$160.00/ea. These two new tools have opposing dies which will help with producing an optimal crimp. They also have an adjustable cam dial similar to our existing fixed die crimp tools. These tools are available now.





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A replacement cutting blade **RB-02 (3192-166)** is available for the CCT-02 at a List Price of \$25/ea. Be aware that the old RB-01 replacement blade will not work with the new CCT-02 tool.

**About Times Microwave Systems**

Times Microwave Systems has over 65 years experience in designing innovative, high-reliability, coaxial cables and assemblies for demanding interconnection problems. An engineering oriented organization, the company specializes in the design and manufacture of high performance flexible and semi-rigid coaxial cable, connectors, and cable assemblies for RF transmission from HF through microwave frequencies as well as surge arrestors for the protection of RF equipment.

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