

HeartMate 3™ Changing Your System Controller

When do I change the Controller for a Red Heart Alarm?

- The green pump running symbol is **Off**
- As the last step in the 4 C's
- When directed to do so by a VAD coordinator
- If you experience the following symptoms: dizziness, lightheadedness, no pulse, and/or unresponsive/not awake.

How do I change the Controller?

1. Have the patient lay down for safety.
2. Locate the backup controller.
3. Connect **POWER** to the backup controller.
 - a. Move power from the original controller to the backup controller.
4. Disconnect the **DRIVELINE** from the original controller to the backup controller.
5. Connect the second **POWER** source to the backup controller.
 - a. Move the last power source from the original controller to the backup controller.
6. Put the original controller into sleep mode by pressing and holding the **BATTERY BUTTON** for the 5 second HOLD countdown.

The patient must be lying down when changing the controller.

7. Once the patient is stabilized, put the faulty controller in sleep mode by removing the batteries from the clips and pressing and holding the battery button for 5 seconds (the controller will count down until the screen becomes blank).

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