

MODERN LAPTOP OBSOLESCENCE

Example:

Lenovo Flex IdeaPad 15-IWL

Introduced Dec 2019 with Windows 10 (8th generation i7 Intel processor)

Windows 11 introduced Oct 2021

Lenovo support ended with Windows 11 Feature Update 23H2, 4 years after the laptop was introduced. 4 years is the typical support period provided by Lenovo for new models.

Windows support for 23H2 ended Nov 2025, 6 years after the laptop was introduced.

Dell laptop support ends 5 years after the end of production, which is 5 to 7 years of total software support.

HP laptop software updates generally end 3 to 5 years from the launch date, and overall support is 5 to 7 years.

Apple laptops receive 6 to 8 years of major MacOS updates and additional 2 to 3 years of security updates, or about 8 to 10 total years of support from the original release date.