

Upgrade Policy and Information

At AMPS Project International, we are continually striving to provide AMPS trained occupational therapists with the most technologically and professionally up-to-date assessment materials. Within this, we have consistently developed new versions of the AMPS software every 2 to 3 years. Providing consistent updates has allowed us to provide a product that is compatible with the latest network and computer systems utilized by occupational therapists. Additionally, as new research is conducted and as new clinical demands arise, we are able to improve the clinical features and utility of the AMPS software (e.g., add new tasks, update calibration values, and develop new reports).

As with any assessment tool, AMPS Project International considers it the occupational therapist's personal and professional responsibility to remain informed of AMPS manual and software updates. The best way to stay apprised of software updates is through the AMPS International website (www.AMPSIntl.com), as announcements for new versions of the manual and software are posted there.

Those who do not stay current with their AMPS software may be required to take another course and complete the calibration process before they can receive the latest software and calibration codes. It is impossible for AMPS Project International or local country coordinators to contact individual AMPS raters to notify them of available updates. Thus, it is each AMPS rater's own responsibility to remain current and up-to-date with their assessment materials. AMPS Project International cannot be held responsible for therapists who do not remain advised and updated regarding revisions, updating, and upgrading of the tools and assessments they use.

Therapists often ask the reason for this policy. There are three factors that we have considered very carefully in making the decision to require raters to regularly upgrade their AMPS software: First, our experience has shown that therapists who consistently upgrade their software are those therapists who most likely administer the AMPS routinely and score their client's ADL task performances in a reliable and valid manner. Second, by using the most current version of the software, the therapist can ensure that they are providing their clients with the most current reports available, based on the most up-to-date calibration and standardization values. Finally, we strive to keep the pricing of all our products as low as possible. Unfortunately, software development is expensive. Our goal is to distribute those costs for software development equally across all AMPS users. Therefore, each therapist, when purchasing their initial copy of the AMPS software (typically included in the AMPS course fee), or when purchasing an upgrade, pays a fee for his or her personal AMPS software license. Since providing discounted site licenses for multiple users would result in added financial burden to individual users, we have chosen not to make site licenses available.

The upgrades and current pricing for all AMPS products are available at our website at www.AMPSIntl.com. You may order your upgrade on-line using a valid VISA or MasterCard. Due to current banking regulations, we cannot accept checks, money orders, or international bank drafts of any sort.

Should you have specific questions regarding an upgrade, please contact us at your convenience at info@AMPSIntl.com.