

Cyber Security Awareness Month

UPDATE

"Secure Our World"

UPDATE YOUR SOFTWARE:

Don't **Delay**. Update **Today**.

Why It's Important

Software updates aren't just for your PC – they are important for every electronic device you use. If you are updating your work computers or devices always follow your organization's policy.

An update (also referred to as a patch) includes changes designed to update, fix, or improve the software. Updates will usually fix bugs and security vulnerabilities, provide new features, and/or improve performance and usability.

When To Update

Perform updates as soon as they become available; don't delay. Bad actors are always looking for new ways to get to your data through software, so updating your software is an easy way to stay a step ahead.

Setting Automatic Updates

Software from legitimate companies usually provides an option to update your software automatically. When there's an update available, it gives a reminder so you can easily start the process. If you can't automatically update it, set a reminder to check quarterly for updates.

Use Legitimate Updates

When downloading a software update, only get it from the company that created it. Never use a hacked, pirated, or unlicensed version of software (even if your friend gave it to you). These illegal versions often contain malware and will infect your devices once loaded.