

Prerequisites

To upgrade Aras Innovator from release 14 or newer to release 40, you need to first check that your software is currently eligible for upgrade. Then, you need to download the necessary materials for upgrade.

Checking for Eligibility

Use the following steps to check if your code tree and database are eligible for upgrade to Aras Innovator 40.

To check eligibility for upgrade:

The minimum supported version of SQL Server is 2016. Make sure that the SQL Server where the database of the Aras Innovator instance is installed is SQL 2016 or higher; otherwise, the upgrade process will fail with an error.

OpenSSL library must be installed on the server where the upgrade patch will be executed via Aras Update. It is necessary for generating any missing certificates.

1. Log in to Aras Innovator as an administrator.
2. Click the User Menu icon and select About from the dropdown menu.
3. Confirm that the dialog shows one of the following:

Release	Build
Aras Innovator Release 14	14.0.0.33343
Aras Innovator Release 15	14.0.1.33397
Aras Innovator Release 16	14.0.2.33605
Aras Innovator Release 17	14.0.3.34066
Aras Innovator Release 18	14.0.4.34465
Aras Innovator Release 19	14.0.5.34717
Aras Innovator Release 20	14.0.6.34944
Aras Innovator Release 21	14.0.7.35492
Aras Innovator Release 22	14.0.8.35675
Aras Innovator Release 23	14.0.9.36073
Aras Innovator Release 24	14.0.10.36415



Aras Innovator Release 25 14.0.11.36751
Aras Innovator Release 26 14.0.12.36913
Aras Innovator Release 27 14.0.15.38102
Aras Innovator Release 28 14.0.18.39055
Aras Innovator Release 29 14.0.20.39432
Aras Innovator Release 30 14.0.22.40048
Aras Innovator Release 31 14.0.25.40942
Aras Innovator Release 32 14.0.28.41847
Aras Innovator Release 33 14.30.0.42172
Aras Innovator Release 34 14.34.0.43336
Aras Innovator Release 35 14.35.0.43890
Aras Innovator Release 36 14.36.0.44303
Aras Innovator Release 37 14.37.0.44844
Aras Innovator Release 38 14.38.0.45078
Aras Innovator Release 39 14.39.0.45502

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4. Click **OK**.
5. From the TOC, select **Administration --> Variables**.
6. Confirm that one of following sets of variables are listed:



	Version Major	Version Minor	Version ServiceUpdate	Version ServicePack
14	14	0	0	None
15	14	0	1	None
16	14	0	2	None
17	14	0	3	None
18	14	0	4	None
19	14	0	5	None
20	14	0	6	None
21	14	0	7	None
22	14	0	8	None
23	14	0	9	None
24	14	0	10	None
25	14	0	11	None
26	14	0	12	None
27	14	0	15	None
28	14	0	18	None
29	14	0	20	None
30	14	0	22	None
31	14	0	25	None
32	14	0	28	None
33	14	30	0	None
34	14	34	0	None
35	14	35	0	None
36	14	36	0	None
37	14	37	0	None
38	14	38	0	None
39	14	39	0	None

If you do not meet the release requirements listed in the previous steps, then you should contact Aras to discuss your upgrade options.

Required Tools and Materials

If you have successfully met the requirements listed in section 2 Prerequisites, then the next step is to obtain the required upgrade files and utilities.

Aras Update Tool



The first thing you need is the Aras Update tool. This tool can be downloaded from <https://www.aras.com/support/downloads>.

Aras Update should be downloaded and installed locally on every node that is running a component of Aras Innovator.

Aras Innovator 40 Patch

The next thing you need is the actual patch that allows you to upgrade your existing Aras Innovator 14 or newer instance to Aras Innovator 40.

Subscribers can obtain this patch from the Aras Innovator 40 CD Image on the [Aras MFT](#) site. If you need help accessing the MFT site, contact Aras Support at support@aras.com

Once connected to the [Aras MFT](#) site, browse to the /InnovatorLatestRelease/Release 40/Release 40 CD Image/Utilities/ folder.

Copy the 'Aras Innovator 40 Patch.zip' file to your local machine.

Checking for Additional Features

Aras Innovator allows for the customization of the Aras Innovator code tree and database that could conflict with the patch that is being applied. To help prevent the possible loss of these customizations, please review the following list of features that could be affected by this patch.

Language Packs

The code tree update applied as part of this patch updates the \Innovator\Client\xml folder. The update to this folder requires that any language pack be reviewed and updated for Aras Innovator 40. To determine what Languages are enabled in your Aras Innovator instance, simply log into Aras Innovator as an Administrator and select **Administration --> Localization --> Languages** from the TOC.

If languages other than the default, English, are listed, then it is recommended you check for an updated language pack before upgrading.

Important

For more details, refer section 'Updating the Resource.Config.xml' of the Aras Innovator 40 - Language Pack Management document.

Aras Applications and Platform Components



If you are using any of the Aras Applications or Platform Components, you must check the supported releases of Aras Innovator before upgrading. You can either check in the Aras Subscriber Portal at <https://www.aras.com/SubscriberPortal/support.aspx> or contact Aras Corporation Support at support@aras.com.

Feature License Key

The upgrade scripts for Aras Innovator require an *Aras.ApplyUpdate* Feature in order to run. This Feature is available to subscribers as part of the *Aras.EnterpriseSubscription* package. To check whether a valid Feature License exists in the Aras Innovator Database:

1. Log into Aras Innovator as an administrator.
2. Go to **Administration\Feature Licenses**.
3. Check that *Aras.EnterpriseSubscription* Feature License is present. If this Feature License is found, check the expiration date to confirm that the license is still active.

Requesting a Feature License

In order to request a feature license activation key, customers with an active Aras subscription can send an email to licenses@aras.com or to their account representative using the following format:

- Subject – “Aras Enterprise Subscription Key Required”
- Body - Version of Aras Innovator

You will receive a reply containing the Feature License activation key.

Installing the License

Once you have the activation key, install the feature license as follows:

1. Log into Aras Innovator as an administrator.
2. From the main menu toolbar, select **Tools --> Admin --> Licenses --> Activate Feature**.



Activate Feature



Activation Key

Activate

Cancel

3. Paste the acquired activation key and click Activate Feature button.
A success message similar to the following should appear.

Activation Successful



Aras.EnterpriseSubscription

Expiration Date: 12/31/2025

OK

4. Go to the **Innovator Admin** menu -> **Licenses->Update Feature Tree**

A success message similar to the following should appear.

✓ **FeatureTree updated successfully**

