Subject: Pro Tools Price Increases July 1st Posted by mikeaudet on Tue, 25 Jun 2019 16:06:54 GMT

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Hi Everyone,

In case you haven't been reading the recording news and use Pro Tools, Avid is doubling the price of yearly updates on perpetual licenses for Pro Tools starting on July 1st. You can buy the update early at the old price until then.

https://www.gearslutz.com/board/avid-pro-tools/1269275-new-pro-tools-pricing-july-1-2019-a.html

Sometime last year, they added the ability to use aux sends during low latency monitoring, which is useful.

It looks like they are phasing out perpetual licenses, which, in my view, is a tacit acknowledgment that the software is probably not going to receive updates that would justify paying to upgrade to a new version.

It also looks like they are looking to get rid of the reinstatement option, meaning that if you don't pay the \$200 USD a year, you will never get updates for your perpetual license again. They haven't gotten rid of it yet, but they say it is being reviewed, which suggests to me that it will soon be gone.

I've bought one more year at the old price, after which I'm getting off the ride. The software is basically feature complete, and Reaper is wonderful anyway. This means that future planned updates to the PARIS ASIO driver will not be tested by me on versions of Pro Tools that come out after June 2020, for whatever that's worth.

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