



Gerber OMEGA™ software

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Q: What is OMEGA?

A: Omega 4.0 is the latest software release from GSP. OMEGA software is a complete suite of design and production tools for creating signs and graphics using cut vinyl, Gerber flatbed routing tables, Gerber EDGE digital images, and files for use in large format inkjet workflows

OMEGA 4.0 is a billable upgrade from previous OMEGA and GRAPHIX ADVANTAGE versions.

Q: What’s New in OMEGA 4.0?

A: OMEGA 4.0 is billed as the Output Release as it adds productivity features for vinyl cutters, EDGE printers, routers, and importing/exporting. OMEGA 4.0 highlights include GERBER EDGE FX HiRez mode, automatic halftones for any GERBER EDGE output, automatic ART Path router nesting, plotter “smart start” output optimization, streamlined backcut or liner cut decal finishing, faster rendering of variable data repeats, and much more!. These OMEGA 4.0 features complement the design enhancements of OMEGA 3.0 including ReAction, Image enhancement and adjustment features, the ability to create soft shadows and convert vectors into images using the new “Convert to Image” tool, an improved Choke / Spread capability for GERBER EDGE color registration, Medial Axis and Perspective Shadow vector effects, pre-set effects templates, GSPPlot Output enhancements, 1D and 2D barcode generation, and much more!

Q: *Is OMEGA 4.0 easy to install?*

A: OMEGA 4.0 is designed to make your upgrade transition smooth and seamless. All OMEGA 4.0 programs and files are on a single DVD including OMEGA programs, fonts, libraries, profiles and What's New information.

Also, OMEGA 4.0 makes for an easy transition from OMEGA 2.6 or 3.0, as you can load them on the same system and switch between the two versions.

Q: *How and when can I get OMEGA 4.0?*

A: OMEGA 4.0 will begin shipping from GSP on April 15, 2010. Contact your Gerber Distributor for ordering and pricing details.

Q: *Where can I find more information about OMEGA?*

A: See your Gerber Distributor, or go to www.gspinc.com/omega for more OMEGA information.

Q: *Why would I buy or upgrade OMEGA 4.0?*

A: OMEGA 4.0 adds productivity improvements to all the great features you already have. If you have OMEGA 2.6 or earlier, you get all the features of 3.0 and 4.0.

Q: *Is OMEGA 4.0 Microsoft Windows® 7 and Vista® compatible?*

A: Yes. OMEGA 4.0 runs on Vista and Windows 7. If you have an EDGE or EDGE 2 you must use 32 bit versions of these operating systems. If you have other output devices such as the EDGE FX and vinyl cutters, you can use 64 or 32 bit versions.

Q: *Is OMEGA only used for Gerber devices and files?*

A: No. OMEGA drives popular vinyl cutters, and imports and exports popular file formats from many different programs. Here is a subset of files that OMEGA imports:

- AI
- PDF
- EPS
- PS
- TIF
- JPG
- BMP
- TIF
- Windows Clipboard
- And more!

Q: *I have a wide format inkjet. How can I use my OMEGA files with it?*

A: OMEGA supports an inkjet workflow via exporting files and by supporting the features used by RIP programs from ONYX™, SAi™, Wasatch™, and others. Continue to design in OMEGA, then export directly to a RIP. Here are some of the features supported by OMEGA that can be imported or exported to EPS files and used directly by inkjet RIPs.

- Export GERBER EDGE Spot Colors and Gerber Vinyl Colors with named RGB colors or named CMYK colors, or without names.
- GERBER EDGE Color Lookup tables for use in 3rd party RIPs available on www.gspinc.com
- Export Named PANTONE® Colors.
- Cut Layers for a print to cut workflow.
- CutContour Colors for a print to cut workflow.
- Import and Export TIF and JPG files.