

tobii dynavox

The power to communicate



Communicator 5

An AAC software package for
efficient communication

Power to be You

Communicator 5 gives you the power to communicate



The Tobii Dynavox Communicator 5 software package is designed with one clear goal – helping individuals with communication disabilities communicate more efficiently. It converts text and symbols into clear speech, and offers tools for computer access, long distance communication, environmental control and more.

Communicator 5 comes with language content designed to match various AAC needs, from emerging communication to literate adults. The content can be further customized for specific individuals through easy-to-use editing tools.

The modern user interface, improved workflows and smart functions enable you to communicate quicker than before. The setup guide, quick menu, and improved editing are only some of the functions that make it easier for caregivers, SLPs, Special Education teachers, family members or anyone else that help the user throughout the day, keep your pagesets up to date.

With the built-in setup guide, getting started communicating is simple. Select one of the predefined user levels, a voice and a desired input method, then Communicator creates a home page for you, pre-populated with industry best practice techniques, clinical, robust, and research-based content as well as relevant pagesets.

Communicator 5 also allows for high levels of personalization and growth, both in terms of content and appearance. Add, remove or edit existing pagesets to perfectly match your skills and desires. You can also change the background color of the homepage to better suit your personality. And, whenever your situation or preferences change, modifying your settings is easy.



Go beyond face-to-face communication

Having access to e-mail and messaging enhances the independence and quality of life for many AAC users. Use Communicator 5 to engage in private and personal conversations, sometimes even without the assistance of a caregiver.



Control the environmental

With Communicator 5, you can program and control IR-enabled devices in your environment, such as your TV, DVD player and toys. You can also adjust bed positions, open doors, turn lights on or off and more

Communicator 5 is designed around your needs



Long distance communication and social media

Communicate long distance by using ready-made pages and functions for online chat, e-mail and telephone text messages (SMS). You can even make a phone call using one of Communicator 5's synthetic voices or update your social media status with the built-in Facebook pageset!



Communicator 5 and the Power to be You

We believe everyone deserves a voice and the ability to lead an independent life.

Communicator 5 provides you with:

The power to communicate through symbols or text

No matter where you're at on your communication journey, Communicator 5 will adapt to your needs and grow with you. For those unable to read or write, you'll find over 15,000 SymbolStix symbols plus a library of PCS symbols for communication. For literate users, you have the option to choose the most comfortable keyboard layout for more efficient typing as well as features such as dwell-free typing and phrase prediction for speedier communication.

The power to be independent

Communicator 5 gives you access to the functionality over Windows applications that are not part of Communicator itself. Working in conjunction with Mouse Emulation and Gaze Selection, you can replace the traditional mouse cursor with your gaze and even hit small targets for full computer access.

The power to grow

With Communicator 5, you can choose the communication level (Emerging, Symbol, or Text) you believe to be most appropriate for yourself, then mix and match between pagesets as you grow. Regardless of the level you choose initially, elements from the various levels can very easily be used together.

Choosing emerging, symbol, and text communication

Choose the level you believe to be most appropriate for the user, then mix and match as you wish between all page sets¹⁰. Regardless of the level you chose initially, elements from the various levels can very easily be used together, by adding or removing individual page sets to be accessible from the user's home page.

Emerging Communication

You might think of an emerging user as someone who is just starting with AAC and does not yet have the ability to efficiently use symbol or written language. The user is often in need of training on how to access an AAC device and has a limited or no understanding that symbols, pictures and words represent ideas. An emerging communicator does not have a reliable method of expressive communication through symbolic language. The Emerging Communication level in Communicator 5 contains activities, visual scenes and simple communication page sets.

Symbol Communication

A symbol communicator has a basic understanding of symbols as a means of communicating and is starting to understand more abstract picture symbols. Some users are able to talk about certain topics and/or able to communicate in certain settings or activities. Other symbol communicators are able to use advanced symbol language vocabularies, which allow them to construct complex utterances combining core and fringe words. The Symbol Communication level in Communicator 5 contains an extensive selection of pre-made grid-based symbol communication page sets. Some of them have added functionality such as telephony, e-mail and music player.

Text Communication

The text communication level is for individuals who are literate, and write their messages by means of an on-screen keyboard. It features that allow the user to communicate efficiently through rate enhancement techniques such as word and phrase prediction. In addition, the Text Communication level has a rich set of functionalities for long-distance communication such as e-mail and telephony.

Tobii Dynavox gives you the power to focus

Comprehensive ecosystem of support

To keep your focus on communication growth, and not worry about technology, you will receive full access to a truly unparalleled and free ecosystem of content and a library of resources.

myTobiiDynavox is an online tool connecting with team members and other families to share files and resources. You can securely backup your Communicator 5 pagesets to MyTobiiDynavox, where you can seamlessly manage all your files.

Webinars, live and recorded, provide a plethora of information from our experts. Live webinars give you the opportunity to join the discussion in real-time, while recorded webinars allow you to watch them at your convenience.

Tobii Dynavox social media sites, such as Facebook, offer a place for you to post your questions and receive answers from Tobii Dynavox experts as well as users, SLPs, or other professionals in the field.

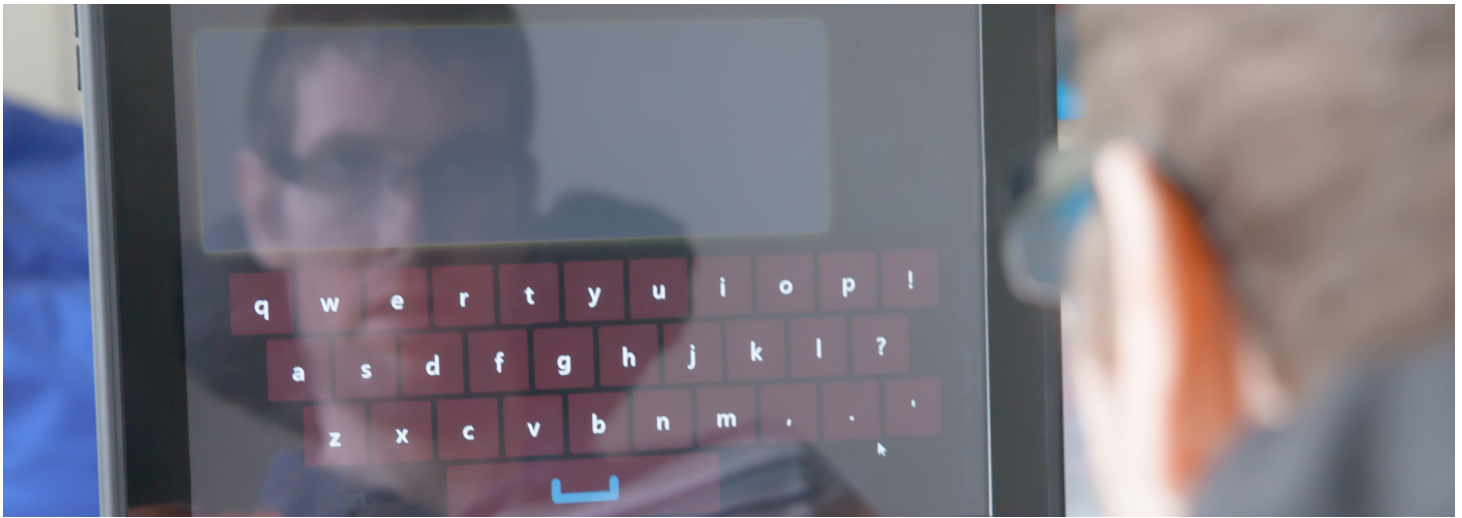


Expertise and experience you can trust

Communicator 5 is the innovative result of a highly experienced team from Tobii Dynavox made up of educators, clinicians, PhDs, engineers, and professionals who are passionate about empowering others to reach their full potential. We work every day to help people communicate and achieve literacy, so they can live richer and more independent lives.

Tobii Dynavox is the leading provider of touch and eye tracking based assistive technology hardware and software. We have helped provide a voice to tens of thousands of individuals with disabilities such as autism, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, intellectual disabilities, aphasia, ALS, Rett syndrome and spinal cord injury with our world-class technology and solutions.





System requirements

While being specifically designed for the Tobii Dynavox I-Series+, Communicator works on Microsoft® Windows computers running Windows 7 or newer, including Windows 10.

Product Specifications

Computer	2 gigahertz (GHz) or faster x86- or x64-bit processor (compatible with all I-Series devices)
Memory (RAM)	2.0 GB RAM
Hard Disk	3.0 GB available
Display	800 x 600 or higher resolution, 1020 x 786 is recommended
Operating system	Communicator 5 runs on 32-bit and 64-bit versions of Microsoft operating systems. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Windows 7 (32-bit or 64-bit) Windows 8 (32-bit or 64-bit) Windows 8.1 (32-bit or 64-bit) Windows 10 (32-bit or 64-bit)
Browser	Mozilla Firefox 31 or newer is recommended
.NET version	4.5
Supported eye trackers	Tobii Dynavox PCEye Go, PCEye Mini, EyeMobile Mini, I-Series and I-Series+
Additional requirements and considerations	Connection to internet is necessary for license activation.

You can install Communicator 5 on a speech-generating device or computer already running Communicator 4, as long as the system requirements are met.

1. *You need a SIM card from a GSM phone service provider, purchased separately, and depending on your hardware configuration you may need extra accessories. Please visit the support pages on www.tobiidynavox.com for a list of compatible phones.
2. Please note that not all Facebook functionality is available from within Communicator 5. From Communicator 5 you can read and post to your Facebook newsfeed.
3. Children's voices are currently available in US English, UK English, German and American Spanish.
4. Compared to traditional dwell typing, typing speeds can be increased by 50-100 percent. Research shows that typing speeds of 20 words per minute can be achieved [Source: CHI '09 Proceedings of the SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems Pages 357-360] and some of our testers have even been able to reach typing speeds up to 30 words per minute.
5. Much of the content comes from the Tobii Dynavox Sono Suite, which used to be sold separately, but now comes bundled with Tobii Dynavox Communicator 5. The availability of Sono Suite products vary from language to language. For an overview of which products see this page www.tobiidynavox.com/communicator5.
6. In order to do this, the device you are running on must have a touch screen, something that the Tobii Dynavox I-Series and I-Series+ have. (I-Series is Win7)
7. Requires I-Series+ and a supported cell phone
8. You will need the Skype software installed on your device and you will dock the Skype software next to the Skype page set
9. Requires compatible camera or an I-Series+ device
10. The descriptions below are brief introductions, and meant as guiding principles. Clinical assessment and expertise is advised in order to configure the communication device to match an individual's needs. See Tobii Dynavox's web pages for more training and AAC implementation support.



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