
Subject: Re: IDL Shareware

Posted by [Mike Schienle](#) on Fri, 14 Jan 2000 08:00:00 GMT

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In article <85nb5m\$snh\$1@nnrp1.deja.com>, wbiagiot@suffolk.lib.ny.us wrote:

> Ditto those comments for the private section. All/most purchases need
> to come from approved sources. I would have an extremely difficult time
> recommending shareware purchase, even if only \$30.

I've used petty cash to make shareware purchases before. I've also been known to bury it in an expense account on travel.

> I would purchase it
> out of my own pocket in a dire situation, however.

That's what I usually do. I'll tell the group lead about it after the fact. It's much easier to get forgiveness than permission.

>
> Personally, I would rather work on a barter-type of system. You help me
> - I help you - which is why Deja News exists. Shareware is a
> interesting concept, but IMO, an uphill battle.

Barters are always preferred to purchases when I'm buying something.
Purchases are always preferred to barters when I'm selling something.

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