
Subject: Re: support (lack thereof) for Mac version of IDL5.5.1

Posted by [Judy Karpen](#) on Wed, 12 Dec 2001 16:06:44 GMT

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Sorry JD, but that doesn't excuse charging big bucks for buggy software. If it were released ages ago and I just found some minor remaining bugs, I'd agree there is no reason for them to fix it. However, v5.5 was released quite recently with bugs (and the patch 5.5.1 introduced other bugs while fixing the READ problem), so IMHO RSI still owes it to users to make it work.

I'm not holding my breath for the OSX version, either..... As long as Retrospect and other useful software/hardware don't work under OSX, many Mac users are delaying the switch from OS9.x. BTW, you can be snide if you wish, but it's YOUR (the taxpayers') money that is being wasted here -- I'm a US government employee, so my IDL license etc is paid for out of a gov't grant. And I still feel ripped off even though it isn't "my" money.....

JD Smith wrote:

> [quote snipped]

> I do hate to quench a grassroots movement so early in its life cycle,
> but you should know that v5.5 is the last Mac version being released:
> this code is being end-of-lived. Luckily, the MacOSX-as-Unix version of
> IDL will be released sometime soon, no doubt providing a fresh supply of
> new bugs to fuel civil unrest.

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> Good luck,

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> JD
