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Subject: sec : U Re: travelling idl license

Posted by [Andrew Cool](#) on Tue, 24 Sep 2002 22:49:12 GMT

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Randall Skelton wrote:

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> On Tue, 24 Sep 2002, Andrew Cool wrote:  
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>> You could have both your laptops as dual boot Windows/Linux  
>> machines, and transfer a removable hard drive between them, with the  
>> licence being encrypted to the HD serial number?? Awkward though.  
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> In the past week both Remair and Andrew have made reference to a HD serial  
> number? I have never heard of such a thing and thought that between the  
> various IDE and SCSI interfaces that such a thing was absolutely  
> impossible. It is certainly possible to use your ethernet hardware  
> address for hardware licensing but this will obviously not work in this  
> circumstance. One can also dream about using the serial number from an  
> Intel P3/P4 chip but this leaves all of the AMD and other CPU users out in  
> the dark. Can someone please post a link that describes an interface to  
> the 'hard drive' serial number?  
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> Many thanks,  
> Randall

Hi Randall,

On Windows at least, the MS Information tool will return the serial  
number  
of the Hard Drive.

Look under Programs/Accessories/System Tools/System Information  
-> Components/Storage/Drives

Cheers,

Andrew Cool

Drive C:  
Description Local Fixed Disk  
Compressed False  
File System NTFS  
Size 37.27 GB (40,015,470,592 bytes)  
Free Space 11.94 GB (12,825,831,424 bytes)  
Volume Name DRIVE\_C

\*\*\*\*\* Volume Serial Number 54D9C2D0 \*\*\*\*\*

Partition Disk #0, Partition #0  
Partition Size 37.27 GB (40,015,471,104 bytes)  
Starting Offset 32256 bytes  
Drive Description Disk drive  
Drive Manufacturer (Standard disk drives)  
Drive Model WDC WD400BB-60BNA1  
Drive BytesPerSector 512  
Drive MediaLoaded True  
Drive MediaType Fixed hard disk media  
Drive Partitions 1  
Drive SCSI Bus 0  
Drive SCSI LogicalUnit 0  
Drive SCSI Port 0  
Drive SCSTargetId 0  
Drive SectorsPerTrack 63  
Drive Size 40015503360 bytes  
Drive TotalCylinders 5169  
Drive TotalSectors 78155280  
Drive TotalTracks 1240560  
Drive TracksPerCylinder 240

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