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Subject: Re: IDL licensing question

Posted by [Paul\[2\]](#) on Tue, 02 May 2006 14:26:49 GMT

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JB wrote:

> Hello,

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> Can someone explain me what an IDL developer license allows ? Let me  
> explain my problem: I have developed a medical images viewer with a  
> developer license of IDL 6.2. I have exported my app as a .sav compiled  
> file, and can be run with IDL VM. I would like to distribute a  
> self-installing package containing this sav file and the IDL 6.2  
> environment exported from IDL dev studio. When you run my tool, user's  
> got a splashscreen showing IDL VM logo, what seems to be OK.  
> Since my tool is executed without license by the virtual machine, I  
> believed that I needn't a redistributable license. But now I think I'am  
> wrong, and online doc is not clear for me. Can someone help me, because  
> RSINC does not seem to answer my questions...

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> Thanx,

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> JB

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> PS: more info on my tool on my web site: <http://jboivin.free.fr>

Hi JB,

I think the confusion is due to the fact that you are also using DICOM features in your application. For example, RSI is required to pay a royalty for the underlying functionality exposed via the read/write/query IDLffDOCOMEx interface and therefore, can not freely distribute under the VM.

However, if you are simply reading images embedded in a DICOM Part 10 file, you could use the freely distributable IDLffDICOM object, or READ\_DICOM procedural interface and freely distribute under the VM.

Lastly, some who need DICOM read/write/query and also want to distribute under the VM can do so by adding a DICOM Runtime license to the distribution you build. This way, IDL is free to the end-user, while the DICOM royalty is covered via a Runtime license agreement. If you still have questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

-Paul

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