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Subject: Re: IDL Licensing Changes

Posted by [Doug Edmundson](#) on Wed, 04 Oct 2017 16:04:27 GMT

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On 10/3/17 11:11 AM, bobportmann@gmail.com wrote:

> On Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 10:50:20 AM UTC-7, Chris Torrence wrote:

>> \* In IDL 8.6.1, the IDL license will be tied to the MAC address + install location + user id, so multiple process ID's will consume just a single IDL license.

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> Does the "install location" mean that if I put IDL on a laptop that I cannot use it when I am on a different network as that used when IDL was activated? In my workflow the laptop will almost ALWAYS be on a different network and this limitation makes IDL useless. Is this the case? Is there a work around?

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> I'm still using IDL 8.5 which does not have this limitation, but it would be nice to upgrade someday.

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> Thanks,

> Bob

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Hi Bob,

We are actively working on a solution to a problem where changes to a machine's MAC address prevents previously activated licenses from working.

For the newsgroup... One example of how the MAC address can change in a laptop is when one uses a docking station's network card when activating licenses, and then unplugs and starts using the WiFi card, which will have a different MAC address than the docking station.

Cheers,  
Doug

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