
Subject: Is it possible to get a free version of coomand line IDL program ?

Posted by [Cibi Raj](#) on Wed, 07 Dec 2016 19:50:27 GMT

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I have also heard that its possible ot have some sort of free trial version which can be downloaded. but I couldn't find anything online like that. IS this information wrong ? If somthing is legally free, I dont want to pay 75 Euros for it :) Thank you.

Best regards,
Cibi

Subject: Re: Is it possible to get a free version of coomand line IDL program ?

Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Wed, 07 Dec 2016 20:03:52 GMT

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On 12/7/16 12:50 PM, Cibi Raj wrote:

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I believe the only free "version of IDL" is the Virtual Machine. This would allow you to run already compiled IDL programs, but not compile programs.

Mike

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Michael Galloy

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Modern IDL: A Guide to IDL Programming (<http://modernidl.idldev.com>)

Subject: Re: Is it possible to get a free version of command line IDL program ?

Posted by [wlandsman](#) on Wed, 07 Dec 2016 21:56:45 GMT

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You could also try one of the free IDL clones

GDL - (Gnu Data Language) <http://gnudatalanguage.sourceforge.net/index.php>

FL (Fawltly Language) <http://www.fawltly.ghostall.com/>

They are not completely compatible with IDL and take more work to install, but should run most IDL programs.

On Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 2:50:29 PM UTC-5, Cibi Raj wrote:

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