

Re: Genuine Advantage Problem – It IS a genuine copy!! XP Pro

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Tell your colleague to cough up original cds or you are reporting him to piracy@xxxxxxxxxxxxx phone--- 1-800-RU LEGIT

He never had the original disks and knew what he was doing was illegal. It will be much cheaper for him to buy disks for you than to deal with BSA where he can face hefty fines for every PC he ever sold plus possible jail time.

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Unofficial FAQ for Windows Server 2003 at

<http://pelos.us/SERVER.htm>

Expert Zone- www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/expertzone

"Agn0stiC" <Agn0stiC@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:082AFF38-84B8-4879-883B-23BA849FB42E@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Can you tell me please what I am meant to do in my situation.

I have 2 home desktop pc's which i purchased through an ex-work colleague who was also was set up as a small (from home) business of building & selling pc's to friends etc. as he was a fully qualified A+ and N+ graduate.

Now when i bought both of mine i knew very little about computers so just took his recommendations at face value. Now about 6-12 months ago i realized my windows XP Pro that had been installed on each pc is NOT genuine as well as Office XP when my system crashed & i had to reinstall everything I requested the discs from him but was told he could only give me "burnt" copies as he had "lost" all the original software he had used to set them up..

Now with this new WGA notification im not sure what to do. I really do not think its entirely fair that I should have to rush out to purchase 2 original

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copies for full price after all this time.

But i realize i will not be eligible for the "complimentary" offer either. My question is am i eligible for the \$99 validation key ???

Please advise

"Carey Frisch [MVP]" wrote:

Try the following workaround:

The WGA Diagnostic Tool has been updated to correct a problem experienced by some users. Please download and execute it from:

<http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?linkid=52012>

After running the tool, please return to Windows Update and try again.

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"silverback" wrote:

| The new Genuine Advantage Update tells me I am running counterfeit software.

| I have the original bill of sale, the product key on the back of the PC, and

| had no problems with Update's previous validation process.

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| I have spoken to the local PC manufacturer that sold me the windows preinstalled computer in May 2004, who in turn spoke to Microsoft – between

| them could I not get a satisfactory answer, but hey, I can still get critical

| updates so what's the problem?

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| Has this been seen by anyone else? Could my product key have been phished?

| Am I condemned to Genuine Advantage pop-up hell until I upgrade to Vista?

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