

# Build environments for latest DDK and SDK

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Hi all,

Can anyone tell me the differences between the build.exe compiler in the DDK and the latest Visual Studio 2008 VC++ compiler? It seems that they are similar / the same but I see warnings not to use Visual Studio. Is this just because it is a pig to set up the environment vars and conditional compilation statements?

I'd prefer to use Visual Studio, especially since it installs the latest SDK alongside. I know the long term plan from MS was to have the driver development environment available in VS as well.

I have the source for a printer driver compiling under the DDK already so hopefully it should not be too much hassle. Perhaps I develop under that and deploy under build.exe.

Any insights would be very helpful, I'm new to the DDK and driver development in general.

Regards

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