



Re: Windows SBS 2003 from ebay?

>>  
>>There is a certain amount of NFR (Not For Resale) software distributed by  
>>Microsoft for promotional, testing and demonstration purposes that cannot  
>>legally be sold, transferred or given away.  
>>  
>>You will always find a certain number of people who will look for loop  
>>holes or just flat out dishonestly sell a product, anything to make a  
>>buck, it does not matter to them who is cheated in the process as long as  
>>they are profiting from it.  
>>  
>>The Microsoft licensing rules are too complicated to try to explain in  
>>this venue, suffice it too say that it is like most things in life, "if it  
>>sounds too good to be true...".  
>>"Russ Grover" <russ@xx> wrote in message  
>>[news:eCpBKuJeFHA.3864@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:eCpBKuJeFHA.3864@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>>  
>>>The only way I'm legal in Selling it is Installed on a system (OEM) and I  
>>>provide support.  
>>>(I can Assist in a sale of the software alone \*Retail but not sell it.)  
>>>The people who sell an OEM version with a mouse are in violation of  
>>>Microsoft rules.  
>>>  
>>>I looked again at that EBAY thing  
>>>The second one is Pure Piracy, He's Selling a Version of the 90 Trial of  
>>>the software.  
>>>(Which is Free btw) then he's selling a HACK to supposedly make  
>>>everything is ok!  
>>>And he has the #@\$ to say it's legal.. BS  
>>>  
>>>If you notice he's even had PayPal Cancel his account because of his  
>>>shady activity...  
>>>Stick with Reputable Places you will be much happier.  
>>>  
>>>--  
>>>Russ Grover  
>>>Small Business IT Support  
>>>Portland\Beaverton OR USA  
>>>Email: Sales at SmallBusinessITSupport.com  
>>>Website: www.SmallBusinessITSupport.com  
>>>  
>>>  
>>>"Leslie Isaacs" <leslie@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
>>>[news:ORan1xIeFHA.4016@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:ORan1xIeFHA.4016@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>>>  
>>>>Hello Russ  
>>>>  
>>>>Many thanks for your response.  
>>>>  
>>>>I take it from what you say that it is not legal to simply buy software  
>>>>(say  
>>>>from microsoft), then decide that you don't want it and so decide to

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>>>>sell it  
>>>>on. If this is the case, that's a good enough explanation for me! I must  
>>>>say  
>>>>I am surprised though: I would have thought that as long as one licence  
>>>>is  
>>>>only used by one person/machine, that would be OK.  
>>>>  
>>>>I should add that I have no intention of using illegal software – hence  
>>>>my  
>>>>desire to be certain what's legal and what's not.  
>>>>  
>>>>Thanks again.  
>>>>Les  
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>>>>--  
>>>>Many thanks  
>>>>PayeDoc  
>>>>"Russ Grover" <russ@xx> wrote in message  
>>>>[news:u4VGv0GeFHA.3836@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:u4VGv0GeFHA.3836@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>>>>  
>>>>>There are Many Steps in becoming an Authorised Seller.  
>>>>>  
>>>>>If you NEED TO KNOW EXACTLY Ask Microsoft..  
>>>>>Call (800) 426-9400 (toll-free in the United States) or (877) 568-2495  
>>>>>(toll-free in Canada).  
>>>>>  
>>>>>If you want to know How to validate your copy. (Make sure it's  
>>>>>authentic.)  
>>>>><http://www.microsoft.com/resources/howtotell/ww/windows/default.msp>  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Microsoft Authorized resellers list  
>>>>>  
>>>>>  
>>>>><http://www.microsoft.com/products/info/render.aspx?view=22&type=mdp&content=22/licensing>  
>>>>>  
>>>>>If you are a Reseller you have access to about the lowest price you can  
>>>>>  
>>>>>get.  
>>>>>  
>>>>>I use a Reseller [www.asipartner.com](http://www.asipartner.com) And Believe it or not I've got a  
>>>>>  
>>>>>lower  
>>>>>  
>>>>>price from even [COMPUSA.com](http://COMPUSA.com)  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Buying from a Reputable Dealer, not only Insures quality of the  
>>>>>product,  
>>>>>  
>>>>>and  
>>>>>  
>>>>>support.

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>>>>>but that in Future updates you will be able to get them.  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Starting I think August, People with Hacked or Non Authentic versions  
>>>>>of  
>>>>>  
>>>>>XP  
>>>>>  
>>>>>will no longer be able to get updates.  
>>>>>using <http://windowsupdate.microsoft.com>  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Ethics also plays a big part of this. If you have no problem stealing  
>>>>>and  
>>>>>selling stolen goods, then anyone can sell Microsoft software.  
>>>>>I don't recommend it however.  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Every week I get a list (I'm an OEM Builder) of Companies that are  
>>>>>being  
>>>>>sued by Microsoft for Violation of Reseller rules.  
>>>>>(Either they are breaking the rules like selling a Mouse with Windows  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Server  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Software, or Just plan selling the same Key over and over again.)  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Now when they break the rules, The Lawyers Sequester all the names of  
>>>>>the  
>>>>>clients that they sold that software too.  
>>>>>Remember anything Stolen get's confiscated by the Police and You loose  
>>>>>everything....  
>>>>>They could Knock on your door and legally grab your server out from  
>>>>>under  
>>>>>you...  
>>>>>In fact they can arrest you for knowingly buying stolen goods.  
>>>>>  
>>>>>If it's too good to be true, it probably is.  
>>>>>So Do you feel Lucky?  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Also Any Place that Requires you to DOWNLOAD the Software is NEVER  
>>>>>  
>>>>>Legit...  
>>>>>  
>>>>>—  
>>>>>Russ Grover  
>>>>>Small Business IT Support  
>>>>>Portland\Beaverton OR USA  
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>>>>>Website: [www.SmallBusinessITSupport.com](http://www.SmallBusinessITSupport.com)  
>>>>>  
>>>>>  
>>>>>"Jack Isaacs" <jack@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
>>>>>[news:%23lheWmEeFHA.2732@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:%23lheWmEeFHA.2732@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

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>>>>>  
>>>>>>Hello All  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>OK folks, many thanks for your replies. You are all obviously  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>experienced  
>>>>>  
>>>>>>and knowledgeable on this issue, and I am not. Therefore I am prepared  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>to  
>>>>>  
>>>>>>accept that you are all correct in saying what you have said – which  
>>>>>>amounts  
>>>>>>to "it's not legal, don't touch it with a barge pole".  
>>>>>>HOWEVER  
>>>>>>I need to understand why. Being a bit of an obsessive/pedantic/cynical  
>>>>>>type,  
>>>>>>I NEED TO KNOW exactly what it is that make these 'offers' illegal. So  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>far  
>>>>>  
>>>>>>your rationale has been restricted to intuition and common sense ("if  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>it's  
>>>>>  
>>>>>>that cheap it must be illegal"), but for me that's not enough: I need  
>>>>>>to  
>>>>>>know what rule/term of the licence agreement/law I would be breaking  
>>>>>>if  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>a  
>>>>>  
>>>>>>bought and used software from these guys. Some of you have conceded  
>>>>>>that  
>>>>>>some software sold on ebay is probably legal: how do I differentiate  
>>>>>>between  
>>>>>>the legal and the illegal?  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>Let me put it another way: under what circumstances is it legal for  
>>>>>>someone  
>>>>>>(other than microsoft and other official suppliers) to sell this kind  
>>>>>>of  
>>>>>>software?  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>Hope you all don't mind my asking!  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>Thanks again  
>>>>>>Les  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>

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>>>>>>"Susan Bradley, CPA aka Ebitz – SBS Rocks [MVP]"  
>>>>>><sbradcpa@xxxxxxxxxxxx>  
>>>>>>wrote in message <news:%23f0E3oCeFHA.1288@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>This screams a Not for Resale version of SBS..  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>1. It's too cheap  
>>>>>>2. No box? Excuse me the only way I have SBS without a box is  
>>>>>>officially from Microsoft licensing not ebay  
>>>>>>3. Flat out... it's way too cheap to be legal  
>>>>>>  
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>>>>>>  
>>>>>>Leslie Isaacs wrote:  
>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>Hello All  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>All of you are saying the same thing, so I suppose you must be  
>>>>>>>right,  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>but I  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>am very curious about why all these offers are necessarily illegal:  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>if  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>someone buys the product but does not use/activate it, surely they  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>can  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>sell  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>it on legally?  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>When one of the sellers says:  
>>>>>>>>"This is an auction for Microsoft Windows Small Business Server 2003  
>>>>>>>>Standard Edition, incorporating 1 Server Licence and 5 Client Access  
>>>>>>>>Licences (CALs). It is the full software (not an upgrade) and comes  
>>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>>as  
>>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>>a  
>>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>>set  
>>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>>of holographic Microsoft CD ROMs with Product Key Codes. It has  
>>>>>>>>never  
>>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>>been  
>>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>>installed or registered/activated.

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>>>>>>>Please note: This product does not include a box, manual or other  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>printed  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>material. It is only the CD ROMs and Product Key Code. "  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>... is he lying, or what?  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>Same goes for the one saying simply:  
>>>>>>>"Microsoft Windows Small Business Server 2003 5 Cals (license  
>>>>>>>pack)  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>New  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>and un-opened"  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>Also, one seller give the following information:  
>>>>>>>"In Per User or Per Device mode, a separate CAL is required for each  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>user or  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>device that accesses or uses the Microsoft Small Business Server  
>>>>>>>2003  
>>>>>>>software on any server. You may reassign a Windows CAL from one  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>device  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>to  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>another device, or from one user to another user, provided the  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>reassignment  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>is made either (a) permanently away from the one device or user or  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>(b)  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>temporarily to accommodate the use of the Windows CAL either by a  
>>>>>>>loaner  
>>>>>>>device, while a permanent device is out of service, or by a  
>>>>>>>temporary  
>>>>>>>worker, while a regular employee is absent. By having two types of  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>Windows  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>CALs, you are able to use the model that makes sense for your  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>organization.  
>>>>>>>  
>>>>>>>For example, purchasing a Windows User CAL might make more sense if  
>>>>>>>your



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