

# Re: Program protection – can not be copied

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Thank you very much.

It seems that there is no any direct method to protect the program from being copied.

The only way to protect the program is doing with some unique ID or hardware-specific information.

Right?

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"Brian" <Brain> wrote in <news:uCUmufTaHHA.4872@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>:

Dear expert,

I want to protect my program in CE 5.0.

After installing the program into system, I want the file can not be copied. Then, user can not copy the program and run on other device.

Is it possible? And How to archive this solution?

If you put the file inside the OS image it won't be possible to extract only the application (unless it's a managed app) from the .bin file (or from the image on flash).

It's possible to "download" the image from a device and run it on another one, but they must be hardware compatible.

If you need to "lock" the image on a specific hardware you'll have to find a way to put some device-specific information (serial number, MAC address etc.) in the image but this could be a nightmare to manage in production.

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