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## **THE ISSUE OF USING LICENSED SOFTWARE**

In Europe and America, people pay for any software they use and consider it to be the right thing to do. Ukrainian mentality does not always allow us to pay for what you can use for free, regardless of copyright and law violation. Most users have never seen what a license look like. This article discusses the essence of software licensing, its users, and importance.

Software license is a legal tool that allows consumers to use a product. Using of software without a license agreement is treated as a violation of the copyright law. A specific license agreement explains to the user how they can use particular software. So, if you want to buy, for example, Microsoft Office software, it is important that you do this from a reliable source to help you avoid these problems [3].

Purchased software is usually supplied with a single user license. It's important to note that a single user license can sometimes be used on several devices owned and operated by one person but not authorized, legally, redistributed, or used by multiple users.

If you need to use software for multiple users, you can purchase several software packages, each of which has its own license for one user, but it can be expensive.

Large enterprises or schools should use corporate licensing – a program where organizations require multiple product licenses, but not necessarily a few copies of software.

The same applies to university students and colleges, since single user licenses can not be used for a whole course or group, this requires a corporate licensing program [3].

A study has shown that 34% of piracy software downloaded from P2P was built into malicious programs that infect the computer after loading. About half of them were Trojans [2].

By installing pirated software your PC and personal data are subjected to malware. Pirate software makes you vulnerable to denial of service attacks. Malicious codes embedded in some pirate programs can access your data. This way you can manage your device and webcam [2].

One of the risks you allow is the infection of your PC. This can be a badly disguised malware. Harmful software – slows down your computer, sends information, damages files, etc. This includes credit card and bank account numbers, passwords and address books, each of which can be immediately used by thieves.

The second risk is that a program may not actually work. Most software companies have implemented a way to check registration – the program can run for a while, but receive an update at a certain point in time, which makes it unsuitable if you do not make a purchase [1].

Thus, acquiring licensed software is a very important aspect of use. After all, when you buy a license, you protect your computer and data, you have more options for using the software.

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