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Subject: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [Dave Anderson](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 00:44:18 GMT

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My sister's boyfriend recently gave me his information to MSDNAA where I have obtained Windows Vista Business Edition. I am burning the ISO to DVD for him and myself.

My question is if the activation allows you to install Vista on two computers without saying the operating system is not legit on the second computer installed on. I know on XP for example, I was able to install it on a few computers without the activation griping, but I'm not sure about Vista and don't plan to install it for myself if it won't work out on two computers.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [Oblivion165](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 01:29:25 GMT

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Simply delete the iso and get yourself a pirated copy of Windows XP Professional with SP2.

Much, much better off.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [Dave Anderson](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 01:36:55 GMT

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I have a legit copy of Windows XP Professional. I'm just inclined to at least try Vista, but I don't want to install it if it will render the activation useless for my sister's boyfriend.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 01:57:40 GMT

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u should wait like 5 more month so Redmond could get some fix to Vista...u should never get a new OS and abandon a old stable OS

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [Dave Anderson](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 02:08:02 GMT

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I'm not abandoning XP Professional. I have a secondary hard drive I would use to install Vista on.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 02:09:59 GMT  
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i never get 2nd partitions

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 03:13:33 GMT  
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Uhh, you can get a Vista trial for 30 days. Surely that'd be long enough to "try" said operating system.

As for actually using Vista, I wouldn't. I painfully used it until I was finally ambitious enough to reinstall XP, since my dual boot install was slow as Hell thanks to trying Vista.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [Dave Anderson](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 03:16:06 GMT  
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I didn't think of that since I had a full copy sitting next to me. That's what I'm going to do then.

Thank you.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [mrpirate](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 03:44:58 GMT  
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I use Vista Business Edition (which I got, coincidentally, from the MSDNAA). You can only activate it on one PC. I gave it to my housemate to try installing and he wasn't able to activate it.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [Dave Anderson](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 03:51:55 GMT  
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Ah, thank you. That was the answer I was looking for.  
The MSDNAA is a life saver though.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 08:35:01 GMT

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Yeah, I would have liked to install it on more than one, but not to worry, my m8 downloaded XP Pro off MSDNAA about 7 times now with different keys, if you wait a bit you might be able to do the same with Vista (It seems to eventually forget you downloaded it...)

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [light](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 10:53:28 GMT  
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I have MSDNAA access, it hasn't prompted me to get my entitled copy of Vista. By all accounts it's pretty eye candy with no real reason to upgrade yet.

There's also an irony that MSDNAA allows non-commercial use yet they offer the commercial version of Vista.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [luv2pb](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 17:25:56 GMT  
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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [Drkpwn3r](#) on Tue, 22 May 2007 17:32:04 GMT  
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luv2pb wrote on Tue, 22 May 2007 13:25wtf is MSDNAA?  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MSDN\\_Academic\\_Alliance](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MSDN_Academic_Alliance)  
'nuff said, found it on Google. Always a good idea to check there before asking what it is.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [genetix](#) on Wed, 23 May 2007 01:15:38 GMT  
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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [Jonty](#) on Wed, 23 May 2007 16:08:42 GMT  
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There is nothing in that post I can possibly disagree with.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Wed, 23 May 2007 16:16:53 GMT  
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Personally I quite like Vista, its stable and fairly fast on my system, would be nice if it used a bit less RAM but it's not as if it's causing problems (320mb out of 2gb is not that much really).

I agree, XP has a smaller memory footprint and is even faster, but by that logic (as has been said before) surely you would like MS DOS even more than XP? Adding new features is always going to result in higher system requirements, look at how the requirements for PC games have been shooting up in the last few years...

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

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Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Wed, 23 May 2007 16:40:51 GMT

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Yeah, but cheap-ass system builders ship Vista machines with like 512MB ram, they don't stand a chance...

I will personally move to Vista by about November, I figured that by then;

a) Any major bugs/security holes/standard Microsoft programming would have been fixed

b) I could afford it, along with another GB of RAM, bringing my total to 2 GB, so I've plenty of RAM, which can't hurt.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [kopaka649](#) on Thu, 24 May 2007 00:30:45 GMT

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Vista's not that bad though I've switched back to XP now. The only real problem was slow video drivers. The OS actually ran fast, much faster than XP and the supercache thing did seem to help, most programs loaded instantly and games loaded much faster than XP (CS source maps loaded in about 5 seconds in contrast to 30 on XP). However, it ran horribly compared to XP once it did load. Vista also is basically unusable without at least 2GB of ram, just a warning.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Thu, 24 May 2007 15:57:54 GMT

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i think Vista can use flash drives 2 convert it into RAM

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Thu, 24 May 2007 17:27:19 GMT

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I can do that on XP.

Just tell it to make a page file on that drive.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.

Posted by [Oblivion165](#) on Thu, 24 May 2007 17:33:37 GMT

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danpaul88 wrote on Wed, 23 May 2007 12:16 Personally I quite like Vista

Ok everyone, it's about time we had ourselves a hangin'..yeah, we haven't had a hangin' in a long time.

That blacksmith wont be there to save you though.

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Subject: Re: A question for Vista (legit) owners.  
Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Thu, 24 May 2007 18:17:45 GMT  
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Just be aware that even flash drives have a limited life span, and using them as paging files or with vistas readyboost could decrease their lifespan somewhat.

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wow never knew that

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