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1.3 Identify-Dev.guide/Address

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My Address ******
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Please send all bug-reports, board descriptions, missing graphic OS, keyfiles, flames and so on to one of the following e-mail addresses:

INTERNET

I'm reachable through Internet via these E-Mail addresses:

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rkoerber@gmx.de
richard.koerber@koeln.netsurf.de
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Check my home page for the latest release and other programs. The $\mbox{\tt URL}\ \mbox{\tt is:}$

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http://shredzone.home.pages.de
http://koeln.netsurf.de/~richard.koerber/
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SNAIL MAIL

You can send me a snail mail letter, too. My address is:

Richard Körber Überm Rost 13 51465 Bergisch Gladbach Germany

Please enclose a "1,10 DM" stamp if you live in Germany and want to get a reply.

MAILING LIST

The list has been shut down due to lack of interest.

SUPPORT BBS

The Eratosthenes will go offline at the end of 1999. I won't have another support BBS.

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1.4 Identify-Dev.guide/ARexx

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ARexx
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   Since V6.0 an ARexx function library is available. You can now also
use Identify in your ARexx scripts.
   To do so, you just have to install the rexxidentify.library into
libs:. The library is included into ARexx by using a CALL
AddLib("/libs/rexxidentify.library",0,-30,0) command.
   These functions are available since Release 1:
ID Release()
     Returns the release- and version numbers of the
     rexxidentify.library. The format is: '<release>
     <version>.<revision>(<date>)' (Example: '1 1.0(23.4.97)'). You
     should use the <release> part to check out if a function or option
     is available (e.g. Word(ID_Release(),1)). The result can also be
     easily split up into the single contents by using the PARSE
     command.
ID_NumBoards()
     Returns the number of expansion boards added to the system. You
     can easily construct a loop for ID_Expansion, using this function.
ID_Expansion(<board>, <result code>)
     Returns the appropriate result to the board number <board> (0 to
     ID_NumBoards()-1) and the <result code>. Result codes are:
    MANUF
          Manufacturer name
    PROD
          Product name
    CLASS
          Product class (localized)
    ADDRESS
          Memory address of the expansion (hexadecimal)
    SIZE
          Reserved amount of memory for the expansion board (decimal,
          KBytes)
    SHUTUP
          Has the expansion been shut up? (0:No, 1:Yes)
    SECONDARY
          (since Release 4) Checks if the entry is primary (Result:
          Primary) or secondary (Result: Secondary).
    CLASSID
          (since Release 5) Returns the Class ID of the expansion
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board, see include files (decimal).

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ID_Function(<library>, <offset>)
     Returns the name of the brary>'s function and the offset
     <offset>. See the Shell program Function.
ID_Alert(<code>, <result code>)
     Returns the appropriate result to the alert code <code>
     (hexadecimal string) and the <result code>. Result codes are:
          Deadend or Recovery?
    SUBSYS
          System causing the alert
    GENERAL
          General alert class
    SPEC
          Specific alert class See the Shell program Guru.
ID_Hardware(<result code>, {<option>,...})
     Returns a description of the hardware. <result code> are:
    SYSTEM
          Used Amiga model (e.g. Amiga 4000)
    CPU
          Used CPU
    FPU
          Used FPU, if available
    MMU
          Used MMU, if available
    OSVER
          AmigaOS ROM version
    EXECVER
          exec.library version
    WBVER
          Workbench version, if available
    ROMSIZE
          Size of the AmigaOS ROM.
    CHIPSET
          Available chip set (e.g. AGA)
    GFXSYS
          Used graphics system (e.g. CyberGraphX)
    CHIPRAM
          Total size of Chip RAM (includes virtual RAM)
    FASTRAM
          Total size of Fast RAM (includes virtual RAM)
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RAM Total size of total RAM (includes virtual RAM) SETPATCHVER SetPatch version, if available. AUDIOSYS Used audio system (e.g. AHI) OSNR Used OS version (e.g. 3.5) VMMCHIPRAM Size of virtual Chip RAM VMMFASTRAM Size of virtual Fast RAM VMMRAM Size of virtual RAM PLNCHIPRAM Size of physical Chip RAM PLNFASTRAM Size of physical Fast RAM PLNRAM Size of physical RAM VBR Address of the processor vectors LASTALERT Last system alert VBLANKFREQ VBlank interrupt frequency POWERFREQ Power frequency ECLOCK Special system clock's frequency SLOWRAM Size of the A500 and A2000's special Fast RAM. GARY Gary version RAMSEY Ramsey version BATTCLOCK Battery backed up clock available?

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CHUNKYPLANAR Does a chunky planar hardware exist? POWERPC Is a PowerPC available? PPCCLOCK The clock of the PowerPC, in MHz units. CPUREV (since Release 5) Returns the revision of the built-in CPU, if available. CPUCLOCK (since Release 5) Returns the CPU clock, in MHz units. FPUCLOCK (since Release 5) Returns the FPU clock, if available, in MHz units. RAMACCESS (since Release 6) Returns the access time of the motherboard RAM (unit ns), if available. RAMWIDTH (since Release 6) Returns the width of the motherboard RAM (bit), if available. RAMCAS (since Release 6) Returns the CAS mode of the motherboard RAM, if available. RAMBANDWIDTH (since Release 6) Returns the motherboard RAM bandwidth, if available. TCPIP (since Release 7) Returns the used TCP/IP stack, if started. PPCOS (since Release 7) Returns the PowerPC OS (PowerUp, WarpOS), if available. AGNUS (since Release 7) Returns the Agnus chip revision, if available. AGNUSMODE (since Release 7) Returns the Agnus chip mode (PAL or NTSC). DENISE (since Release 8) Returns the Denise chip version, if available.

(since Release 8) Returns the Denise chip revision, if

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available. These <options> are allowed: **EMPTYNA** Returns an empty string if the item is not available. Otherwise, a localized 'not available' kind of string is returned. NOLOCALE The return string is always in English, independent of the current language. See also the AutoDocs of IdHardware(). These functions are available since Release 2: ID_ExpName(<manufid>,,<result code>) Returns the appropriate result to the manufacturer <manufid> (0 to 65535), product prodid> (0 to 255) and the <result code>. Note that Identify cannot differ between expansions with the same product ID in this access mode. Result codes are: MANUF Manufacturer name PROD Product name CLASS Product class (localized) These functions are available since Release 4: ID_LockCX() Fetches a copy of all currently present commodities and returns a slot for it. You must always provide this slot to the other functions. ID_CountCX(<slot>) Results is the number of commodities found. ID_GetCX(<slot>, <nr>, <result code>) Returns the appropriate result to the commodity <nr> of the slot <slot>. Result codes are: NAME Name of the commodity TITLE Title of the commodity DESC A short description GUT Result is 1 if the commodity provides a GUI, 0 otherwise. ACTIVE Result is 1 if the commodity is active, 0 otherwise.

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ID_UnlockCX(<slot>)
    Frees the slot. You must not use it after that!

These functions are available since Release 6:

ID_Update()
    Actualizes the hardware information. Please use it wisely (see AutoDocs).

Some example programs you'll find in the arexx drawer.
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1.5 Identify-Dev.guide/InstallIfy

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InstallIfy
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Since V9.0, a new tool has been added.
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InstallIfy allows you to import identify's hardware information into Installer scripts.

So you can find out in an Installer script, if e.g. a PowerPC is available, what PowerPC OS is used, or if sufficient processor power is available.

InstallIfy should be invoked with the installer's RUN function. The name for the desired hardware information is provided, and the appropriate numerical result is returned as DOS return code. For example:

These options are available:

FIELD

Here, the name of the desired hardware field is passed. This are the same as for the ARexx ID_Hardware command. See the include files to find out how the return code has to be interpreted.

UPDATE

If this option is set, the identify.library hardware information cache will be flushed. Use this option wisely, see ListExp.

HELP

Shows a short help page and exits.

There is an example Installer script in the developer packet. Just have a look at it and see how InstallIfy is used.

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