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ISSUE: MetaSan V3 serial nr assignment MAC-SID

Concerned platforms:
any Windows XP or W2k

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Issue : During MetaSan Installation, serial numbers are not valid for registration or are the same as on other systems.

MetaSan V1 or V2 is using Network MAC address to render out a unique serial key ID number required for product registration and activation. V3 according Mr Micro\$ucks recommendations is using MS SID key#. But unfortunately this number can be the same if installation is done with a Ghost image. Also there is no warranty that SID remains the same after a complet erasing and re-installation.

Attention; *Active license will stop working after this. Be carefull and do this under reacheable Msan support.*

By Default on V3 Msan uses SID, to revers it to MAC Address, here are the steps:

1. Click Start and choose Run.
2. In the dialog, type `regedit` to start the Windows Registry editor.
3. Navigate to `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Services\SAN DS\Parameters` registry key and select it.
4. Right-click in the right pane and select New.
5. Select DWORD Value from the context menu.
6. Type `SerialBy` as value name.
7. Right-click `SerialBy` and select Modify.

By default, this key does not exist and metaSAN/metaLAN uses the first NIC MAC address.

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8. Change the value to 0 (zero) to generate serial number by first NIC MAC address, and click OK.. (val 2 is SID)
9. Restart the computer.

After this, your machine should generate a different serial number that you would be able to activate.

Thank you Mr Veselin Batzarov for your help.

Pls. send us your feel back.
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