

Beastie Boys' New Album Secretly Installs DRM Code

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EU and other CD versions of the new Beastie Boys CD O THE 5 BOROUGHS tries to install DRM tracking software secretly.

Not only do Beastie Boys slam George Bush on their new album, they also slam their fans by sellings CDs programmed to silently install DRM tracking code on Windows computers.

"It seems that Capitol Records has some sort of new copy protection system, that automatically, silently, installs "helpful" copy protection software on MacOS and Windows as soon as you insert the CD into default systems. I'm not sure exactly what it does yet, but I am sure regreting actually purchasing said media now... they don't deserve my money if they choose to pull stupid stunts like this. Installing software without your permission sounds like viral malware behaviour to me. I certainly hope the AV companies put signatures into their products for this crap.

They include some sort of uninstaller buried on there for Windows, but I see no such thing for MacOS. If anyone has disassembled the aforementioned malware already and can save us some time with instructions on how to remove it... thanks in advance."

- [BUGTRAQ ARCHIVE \(securityfocus.com\)](#)
- Beastie Boys fans express their fury in the [message forumed](#)

Luckily Windows users can buy a safe copy of the album from [allofmp3.com](#) online.

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