

Packages - Freedom Issue #151

[virtualbox-libre] Recommends installing non-free software

2012-07-22 07:42 PM - migathesecond

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Description			
As the title suggests, the virtualbox-libre package recommends installing non-free software in its settings. Upon creating a virtual machine, going to its settings, and going to USB, there's a check box to enable USB 2.0. When enabled, it asks you to install the Oracle VM VirtualBox Extension Pack, which is 'free for personal use'.			
I've attached a screenshot if needed.			

History

#2 - 2012-07-26 05:39 PM - Anonymous

virtualbox-libre with free distros options and without Extension Pack is done, but before update is necessary could happen that your current virtual machine with virtualbox-libre new version doesn't work. It is due that was removed all non-free OSType on source code. To solve it, you should change value OSType on your file.vbox choosing:

- 1) Other
- 2) GNU
- 3) GNU_64
- 4) GNUHurd
- 5) GNULinux
- 6) GNULinux_64
- 7) Parabola
- 8) Parabola_64
- 9) gNewSense
- 10) gNewSense_64
- 11) Blag
- 12) Blag_64
- 13) Dragora
- 14) Dragora_64
- 15) Ututo
- 16) Ututo_64
- 17) Musix
- 18) Musix_64
- 19) Trisquel
- 20) Trisquel_64
- 21) Dynebolic
- 22) Venenux

#3 - 2012-07-27 08:48 AM - mtjm

Why remove "non-free" OSTypes? The list is clearly useful for a user who already uses them or who uses similar ones. I don't know VirtualBox well, doesn't it have features like faster i/o devices that work only with newer systems? The list you posted doesn't seem useful for this.

The section on Documentation in the FSDG seems relevant. We don't have these operating systems in our repos, we don't say that it's better to use Fedora, I believe the list is useful only for someone already knowing what system to install.

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