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# Chapter 1

## Identify-Dev

### 1.1 Identify-Dev.guide

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### 1.3 Identify-Dev.guide/Address

My Address

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INTERNET

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

shred@shredzone.de  
rkoerber@gmx.de  
shred@web.de

Check my home page for the latest release and other programs. The URL is:

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### 1.4 Identify-Dev.guide/ARexx

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

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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  
board, see include files (decimal).

#### ID\_Function(<library>,<offset>)

Returns the name of the <library>'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:

##### DEAD

Deadend or Recovery?

##### SUBSYS

System causing the alert

##### GENERAL

General alert class

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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)

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

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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?

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.

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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.

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

BOINGBAG  
(since Release 10) Returns the BoingBag number, if available.

EMULATED  
(since Release 11) Returns 0 if this is a real Amiga. Any other value means that the Amiga is emulated.

XLVERSION  
(since Release 11) The major version number of the AmigaXL emulator. 0 if AmigaXL is not available.

HOSTOS  
(since Release 11) The host operating system of the emulated Amiga. Currently only available on AmigaXL systems.

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## HOSTVER

(since Release 11) The host operating system version of the emulated Amiga. Currently only available on AmigaXL systems.

## HOSTMACHINE

(since Release 11) The host architecture of the emulated Amiga. Currently only available on AmigaXL systems.

## HOSTCPU

(since Release 11) The host CPU of the emulated Amiga. Currently only available on AmigaXL systems.

## HOSTSPEED

(since Release 11) The host CPU speed of the emulated Amiga. Currently only available on AmigaXL systems.

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(&lt;manufid&gt;,&lt;prodid&gt;,&lt;result code&gt;)

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(&lt;slot&gt;)

Results is the number of commodities found.

## ID\_GetCX(&lt;slot&gt;,&lt;nr&gt;,&lt;result code&gt;)

Returns the appropriate result to the commodity <nr> of the slot <slot>. Result codes are:

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NAME  
Name of the commodity

TITLE  
Title of the commodity

DESC  
A short description

GUI  
Result is 1 if the commodity provides a GUI, 0 otherwise.

ACTIVE  
Result is 1 if the commodity is active, 0 otherwise.

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.

## 1.5 Identify-Dev.guide/InstallIfy

InstallIfy  
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Since V9.0, a new tool has been added.

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:

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(set rc (run "c:InstallIfy POWERPC" (safe)))
(if (<> rc 0) ; PowerPC
    (message "A PowerPC is available!")
)
```

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.

## 1.6 Identify-Dev.guide/Concept Index

### Concept Index

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Copyright note	Copyright
E-Mail	Address
FreeWare	Copyright
Homepage	Address
InstallIfy	InstallIfy
rexxidentify.library	ARexx
Snail Mail	Address