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imanobody - December 29, 2017, 10:39 am

Hey guys, I have a friend who is using a DIV transparent overlay with a modal popup that is to prevent people from using his software past a trial period. Although maybe less than 15% of these customers are smart enough to inspect element and delete the overlay. Is there an alternative to a DIV overlay which won't allow this?

Charger - December 29, 2017, 11:03 am

Best way is to actually prevent the content from showing unless the subscription is active.

Show an image or something.

Owl - December 29, 2017, 1:58 pm

Validate the trial before sending the content.

Nachfolger - December 29, 2017, 4:43 pm

Server-side. Anything done client-side is editable by the user. Need I repeat what's said above, don't send any data unless the trial is active.

Rushax - December 31, 2017, 1:09 pm

Is it taking user accounts/info into account? If so use this to create an expiry date + 14 days time or whatever from when they signed up. Nach is correct saying this should be dealt only with server-side.

Then a simple if statement on the page:

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if(date is below specific users expiry date)
    show trial div
else
    show need to purchase/trial ran out div
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Invincible - December 31, 2017, 9:00 pm

Lots of CMS these days make this easier. You can set up a members only area to access the software and have it expire when trial ends also prompting them to renew with an invoicing system.

Hyanix - January 1, 2018, 1:29 pm

Validate the trial before sending the conten

Pikzul - January 2, 2018, 9:55 am

Validate server side as a few others said above.