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Thread: [\(white hat security\) how to find geolocation of your youtube videos on youtube](#)

johndoeman805 - July 6, 2025, 12:45 pm

obviously want to prevent that.

Charlie Sheen - July 6, 2025, 12:56 pm

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Exiftool should work for Mac.

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I don't know. It's Java- and HTML-based. There should be instructions.

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Just use this before you put post on youtube or anything including this forum. No software installation needed.

<https://www.metadata2go.com/delete-metadata>

Phantom_NiNja - August 4, 2025, 8:43 pm

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Who is harassing you? what bored trolls / haters?