

Locating a Computer's Hardware Address

1. Preface

A media access control (MAC) address, commonly referred to as a hardware address or physical address, is a unique identifier usually assigned to a wired or wireless network interface controller by a device manufacturer.

A MAC address, a 12-digit hexadecimal number, can be used as a computer identifier by flow cytometry software vendors for licensing purposes.

2. Locating the Hardware Address on a PC [W7 | W10]

- Press the Windows key + the R key on your keyboard.
- Type cmd and click OK.
- At the prompt, type getmac/v
- The hardware addresses for all your connection types will be displayed as shown below:

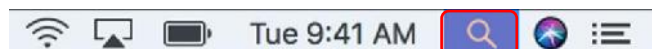
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C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.18363.657]
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C:\Users\Owner>getmac/v

Connection Name Network Adapter Physical Address Transport Name
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Wi-Fi Intel(R) Dual Band Wireless-AC 8095 E0-14-35-99-65-4A \Device\NPF{13799C22-4811-4B1C-BCE9-A507D5B41852}
Ethernet Realtek PCIe FE Family Controller DC-14-35-99-65-4A Media disconnected
Bluetooth Netwo Bluetooth Device E0-14-35-99-65-4A Media disconnected
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3. Locating the Hardware Address on a Mac

- Type network utility in Spotlight search field.



- Click on the Top Hit.



- Click the Info tab and use the drop-down menu to select the network interface for which you would like the hardware address.

