

I buy CDs. However, I own an MP3 player so that I can have a more mobile way of listening to my music collection. Traveling with a CD player and my CD collection isn't practical. When I buy a CD, I like to rip it on to my computer so that I can listen to it on my computer speakers in my room. I also like to transfer that file on to my MP3 player so that I can listen to it while walking places and through the transmitter in my car. I obtained the CD legally, and I believe I should have the right to have the file for my personal use as I wish. I do not distribute the file elsewhere.

Making CDs so that a person can't rip them onto their computer is going to discourage many, many people, such as myself, from buying CDs at all. For many people, if they can't listen to it without the physical CD, they're not buying it. Many people do not have CD players in their cars, and use alternate means of listening to CDs, such as FM transmitters that attach to the MP3 player. This way, people can take the MP3 player with them when they leave their car, preventing their car from being burglarized. Making CDs impossible to rip onto MP3 players is going to lead people to download the file so that they can have access to it digitally on their MP3 players and computers. It's also unfair. If people pay their ridiculously jacked-up prices for a CD, they had better be able to listen to it when I want, how I want using the latest technologies available.