

Remove Prohibited Device Requirements

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ATA/ATAPI-4,5,6, and 7 document ATA commands and a transport for delivering other commands via a Packet Interface. Normally the Packet Interface is used to deliver SCSI commands. Many commands are marked as prohibited for implementation in a device that implements the Packet Interface. The result is that if an ATAPI CD-ROM drive implements the ATA READ SECTORS command the device is not ATA/ATAPI compliant. I believe that these prohibitions were motivated for reasons that no longer exist.

This proposal is to remove all of the “Prohibited for devices implementing the PACKET command feature set” and similar statements.