

## Re: How to reduce/shrink the size of a VirtualPC disk image (reclaim unused space)

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Steve Jain wrote:

> *You need to commit the changes FIRST, then defrag, then zero, then*  
> *compact.*

So, should I commit the changes, restart Windows, defrag, zero, shut down, and then commit again?

Or create a second installation of Windows on a second image, shut down and commit the first installation. Then start the second installation, defrag the first installation and zero it (not that I would know how to defrag or zero stuff on a not-running Windows image)?