

## Re: Cannot find 230 Gb <unknown> files

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I do have backups. After having 23 Gb free for the past 3 or 4 days, tonight I got another "Disk Full" message. I looked and had 4 Mb free space!

I did not know I could run WinDirStat as Administrator. I did that and, sure enough, it showed all the files. It listed 264.3 Gb as Windows files. Breaking that down, 248.9 Gb are temp files. Most of these have been created in October and this month. 6 of those files are 781.0 Mb. 6 are 699.5 Mb. Then many at 400.2 Mb. These are all recent files. But the files have been accumulating for a year (when I purchased this system).

I tried to delete one of the files and got the following warning: "Do you know what you are doing? You are going to remove c:\Windows\temp\TMP000001AC20F5242FC17BDF90 from your computer. Deletion of system files or directories can seriously damage your system. Continue?"

I cancelled it and will ask you all for advice. Would I damage my pc by deleting these temporary system files?

Thanks for all the advice.

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Ralph IB

Don't take life too seriously; you're not going to get out of it alive anyway.

"SCSIraidGURU" wrote:

Look for hidden files. Your system restore could be the problem. Disable it and reboot. See if it returns the space.

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