

Re: Properly backing up my W2K OS

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On Mar 3, 2:07 am, Sid Knee <mevagis...@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Tim Holland wrote:

Some people are talking about installing either this programme or Ghost under Dos. Can I do this in the Dos prompt option of W2K?

I think the "some" in this instance is me since I mentioned my mild distrust of doing a Windows backup from within Windows (that would include a Windows command prompt. Never tried it – nor wanted to – but I somehow doubt that it would work).

My preference (with Ghost) is to install Ghost in Windows then use it to make a DOS (real dos) boot-disk containing the Ghost backup facility (with USB access if desired).

I'm suspicious of using Ghost 2003, but I also own Ghost 9.0. I installed it on Drive C:. How can I make a DOS boot-disk with this?

By the way, I eventually succeeded in getting rid of my temporary Drive J: but my USB external drive (which used to be J:) became K: while the temporary drive was there. It's still K:, even after rebooting. Can I use DM to change its name, or could that be dangerous?

Does it matter, anyway? Is there anything awkward that could occur if the drive were always K:?. Could it somehow rename itself on its own?

Thanks for all your help.

Tim

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Boot from that and (using the admittedly

crude user interface) do the backup. No open, locked, changing-on-the-fly or otherwise questionable files that may or may not be able to be backed up. Just a one-for-one image that can be verified on the same basis. Easy and quick – why complicate matters?

You can of course, still open the image file from the Windows Ghost installation and extract individual files, directories etc.

Actually, I started with the Ghost boot-floppy but later added the files to a bootable-cd that contains some other tools (Partition Magic, manufacturers' HD test utilities etc). It's a mini-cd that's easy to carry from machine to machine along with my usb backup hd.