

Re: XP Pro NTFS or FAT32?

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In article <af5h11dg1a2hipvrvn3s3eeifoidoim8nm@4ax.com>, BuddyWh <root@localhost> wrote:
>On Tue, 08 Feb 2005 16:10:48 -0500, Tim Slattery <Slattery_T@bls.gov>
>wrote:
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>>NTFS! It's a journaling file system, which means that it keeps track
>>of what it's doing in a way that allows it to recover from system
>>crashes.
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>I have had that situation before... NT crashed, is corrupt and won't
>start but there is NO WAY for me to simply boot to a DOS disk,
>navigate the NTFS directories in command line and copy out the
>files/directories I want to recover, then format and re-install. That
>caused me no end of grief trying to figure out how to get my files
>out.

You can boot the XP CD and go into repair mode. There is a command prompt and you can copy files to another disk, but I've never tried that.

You can put a non-bootable disk in a good XP machine as a secondary disk and recover all your files.

You might have heard of Linux. :-) Any bootable Linux CD will let you copy NTFS files to other media or over the network.

last of all, sh*t happens, but it happens much much less on an NTFS file system. I'm amazed by the number of .CHK files I see in the root of old FAT32 C drives. People don't even know they are there until they call me. That NEVER happens on NTFS.

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>I'm sure that there are plenty of specialized tools and utilities that
>can be purchased, plus a lot of extra training, but why should I have
>to? Everything should be furnished with the OS and what could be
>simpler than DOS? If using FAT32 I only need a Win98SE boot disk and
>a second IDE hard drive to xcopy the recovered files too.

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