

Re: Switching fat32 to NTFS and Back Again

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Jerry

Presumably, you do have packet writing software installed on all of the computers that exhibit problems..

UDF (packet writing) has always been problematic.. I tried it out when it first appeared, and found it to be less than reliable.. a great idea but it needs work..

I did also find articles on it.. maybe Google Canada is better.. you should try it sometime..

<http://www.google.ca>

Re. computer user error, in this case, you have persisted in using a CD writing format that has yet to be perfected and IS known to be problematic..

In the meantime, some reading for you..

<http://photography.about.com/library/weekly/aa011303b.htm>

<http://www.sampublishing.com/articles/article.asp?p=418013&seqNum=11&rl=1>

<http://pages.prodigy.net/jdjd/cdr/packet.htm>

<http://www.roxio.com/en/support/dcdwin/dcdread.html>

<http://aumha.org/win5/a/xpcd.htm>

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"All Things Mopar" <nunofyour@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Today Mike Hall (MS-MVP) commented courteously on the subject

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at hand

ATM

We do that because our systems work with SP2 installed, evidence enough that it can be done.. I have a good few clients, not one of them close to computer literate that have SP2 installed and no problems.. now you have evidence from both sides of the court..

The major cause of failure is the component between the chair and the keyboard.. it has always been this way..

Do you use Nero, or something else to burn CDs?.. how old is it?.. might it be an issue with the burning program, and not Windows, hence the complete lack of anything in MS KB's?.. can we assume that you have contacted the program originator's website?.. does it happen with ALL makes of CD-R?..

I'm not going to debate this, Mike. If you have to ask that, then you don't possibly know what I'm talking about. I take that back, I will debate it.

I have /hundreds/ of UDF CD-Rs I burned with multiple programs that work on my old Win 98 PC, and my older SP1 box. They all read correctly, and /none/ crash. They /all/ crash my SP2 box. And, they /all/ crash my best friends SP2 box. And, they /all/ crash my nephews SP2 box. He's the guy who built my current PC. Now, how can 3 people, with 3 completely different PCs with no-thing in common except that they all have XP Pro SP2 possibly all be simultaneously screwed up in the head? And, how is it that a problem this common isn't anyplace to be found in the MS KB? Go look, it ain't there.

Once I discovered the problem last October, I created several dozen test cases of different kinds of files and different numbers of files on both CD-R and DVD-R using Nero, Roxio EZ CD Creator 5, and Roxio Easy Media Creator 8. They /all/ crash SP2. And, no, you cannot burn a UDF CD with Windoze built-in burner utility, you have to buy it from somebody.

To answer you other question, no I didn't contact anyone about my problem, as it is /not/ anyone's problem /except/ Microsoft! It is /their/ GD CD/DVD device driver that crashes, and not my Lite On drives – yes, I checked, Lite On uses the Win XP default driver.

Now, if you want to discuss this intelligently and factually,

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I will cooperate. But, I will not listen to "your system is hosed, nuke the HD and reinstall Windows". Incidentally, when you're bored, Google for "udf crashes sp2" and see what you get...

And, thank you Mike, for keeping the reputation of the MVPs intact – you all claim that it is user error and not Windoze that is at fault, yet /you/ have no facts.

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ATM, aka Jerry