

Re: DVD formatted on Vista not seen in XP

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Greetings,

I have spent a couple of hours reading about how DVD's are manufactured, and how long to expect them to last, but for my older desktop with a DVD ROM, I'd like to make a FULL backup onto DVD using Acronis. Acronis made two files under 4.0GB each and I transferred them to the Vista laptop for DVD burning onto DVD+RW disks. After burning with the defaulted "Live File System" format, I discovered that my desktop DVD ROM couldn't see anything on the disk. I placed new unformatted disk and burned using "Mastered" format. Again all copied to disk but could not be read by the DVD ROM. Trying again, I formatted the disk using the lowest UDF version offered in Vista (which is 1.5) with the same results. I would've checked version UDF 1.02 but it wasn't available.

I did not wish to buy a DVD burner for the old desktop tower (HP 8700 series), but wish to use DVD disks as last resort restoration, as I've already had a falling with my external hard drive purchased a couple of months ago.

Also, I was thinking of installing Roxio Creator 6 on the Vista laptop to burn the DVDs as it might have a recognizable format that the desktop would see. I do know that Roxio Creator 6 and Acronis Home 10 do not mix on the same machine. Acronis can't find any hard disks with Creator 6 installed.

Any thoughts on how I can store on DVD for the older machine to read it?
Thank you!
Kevin

***** update *****

Can you believe it? My daughter may have come up with a good answer. May be the DVD-ROM cannot read rewritable disks. Hmm.. So I looked up the manual online:

Manufacturer Hitachi

Model Number GD-7500 DVD-ROM

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Drive speed

DVD-RAM 2X (ZCLV)

DVD-ROM

Single Layer 12X max. (5 – 12X Full CAV)

Dual Layer 8X max. (3.3 – 8X Full CAV)

DVD-R 2.5X max. (1 – 2.5X Full CAV)

CD-ROM 40X max. (17 – 40X Full CAV)

CD-R 40X max. (17 – 40X Full CAV)

CD-RW 24X max. (10 – 24X Full CAV)

CD-I/VIDEO CD 10X max. (4.3 – 10X Full CAV)

CD-DA (DAE) 20X max. (8.6 – 20X Full CAV)

CD-DA (Audio out) 10X max. (4.3 – 10X Full CAV)

Could that be it? I've only used the drive to watch movies with on rare occasions.

If this is the case, if I were to buy DVD-R disks, should they be formatted with Vista Live File System and with which UDF version? Or should it be Mastered formatted?

Thank you for any comments or suggestions.

B.rgds,

Kevin

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