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Leonard,

Thanks for your reply.

If anyone's missing anything it's probably me. The main reason for NOT using drag and drop is that I'd have hand-hold the operation and I have a lot of folders to copy -- most of entire hard drive. So I had rejected the idea of drag and drop. Do you know if there is a way to select multiple folders at a time in the explorer, so that I could drag and drop a whole bundle of folders at once, which would minimize the times I'd have to keep a watch over the operation? I considered copying the entire hard drive, even though I don't need all of the folders, but it seemed like the execution time for that might be excessive.

Anyway, I appreciate your reply. It has made me re-think some of my initial assumptions. If you have any other thoughts please let me know.

Phil

"Leonard Grey" wrote:

Perhaps I'm missing something here. If you drag and drop

C:\Tax Returns\His\2005

from the C: drive to

<drive letter of external drive>\backups

you end up with

<drive letter of external drive>\backups\Tax Returns\His\2005.

with the identical file structure.

If you think you might forget that \Tax Returns\His\2005 came from the

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c: drive, rename it to \C_Tax Returns\His\2005

Leonard Grey

Errare humanum est

pwrinchcreek wrote:

I want to make copies of files from one hard drive to another (in my case the "other" drive is external). Using the XP system backup utility, I don't see a way to retain the original file system structure -- that is, pathname/filename -- without doing separate backup executions for each individual file. For example, if the source drive contains something like the following...

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c:\Tax Returns\His\2005
c:\Tax Returns\His\2006
c:\Tax Returns\Hers\2005
c:\Tax Returns\Hers\2006
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is there a way to configure the backup utility to copy these files to, say, g:\backups and end up with the following on the g-drive?

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g:\backups\Tax Returns\His\2005
g:\backupsTax Returns\His\2006
g:\backups\Tax Returns\Hers\2005
g:\backups\Tax Returns\Hers\2006
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If the answer is NO, does anyone know of a third-party program that can do this?

TIA,

Phil