

Re: Sysprep Generic Image

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I agree, different HAL's have been driving the number of images we have on hand. Currently we have 4 different HAL/Images.

PC – old, (Very old) computers. The ones that say: "It is now safe to shut down your computer"

ACPI – almost every laptop

ACPI 1.0 (Uni Processor) – mostly newer desktops

ACPI 1.0 (MP/Multi Processor) – these are hyperthread technology from intel, not truly Multiprocessors but the good thing is it will go onto a server that does.

Ron

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Hello Rob,

Do not use the sysprep PnP switch with Windows XP! This switch is only for older legacy detection(maybe if you have non-pnp isa cards), so very few current machines would have devices that require this switch to be used.

This switch can cause problems if used and slow down the mini-setup portion. It should only be used if there is hardware that you know is not being detected.

Most hardware will be detected(you will may need to build the mass-storage section), the biggest issue is machines with hal differences which would need separate sysprep images.

Thanks,

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| Imaging software was designed for deploying operating systems on identical
| machines. If you use the PnP switch with sysprep, you can get away with
| having minor hardware variances. If the PCs are completely different you
| should look at RIS or unattended installs.
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| "John Simovic" <jsimovic@tpg.com.au> wrote in message
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| > Is there 'known' way of creating a generic image of a PC and cloning it
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