

Re: Roll back an NTFS version?

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Thanks Greg,

I currently can't mount the drive.

It's the boot drive and I'm getting "non-system disk, disk error" messages.
Is there some extra step I need take?

(I've wondered if I need to edit the MBR, and would like to know if I can install the ntfs.sys that wrote the disk into NT, that is 5.2.3790 instead of 4.0.1381. Versions are from the *.sys files.)

"Greg Hayes/Raxco Software" <ghayesntloader@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:uHuEOsEdGHA.4932@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Mike,

You are correct. Once the NTFS volume has been "converted" to the newer NTFS format by mounting it under Win2K or Win2K3, there is no way short of a reformat to revert back to the older NTFS format.

However, if you are running last NT4 service pack, NT4 should still be able to mount the drive. However, things like CHKDSK will no longer work on the drive.

– Greg/Raxco Software
Microsoft MVP – Windows File System
Want to email me? Delete ntloader.

"Mike Gale" <infonospamatdecionzdotcom> wrote in message <news:%23dgyWrAdGHA.4148@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Hi,

I took a SCSI drive (not booting) from an NT system, installed it in a 2003 system, identified and fixed problems then tried to put it back as NT.

(I took 5 days or so trying to establish that there were no gotchas!)

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Now I discover the "different NTFS versions" issue.

I understand that there may be no way to roll back to the NT version of NTFS.

Is this still the case?