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On
Sat,
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My
HD
has
4
partitions,
three
OSes,
and
5
logical
drives;
part
#1=
C:
bootable
Win98SE,
part
#2=D:
and
E:
extended
DOS,
part
#3=F:
bootable
DOS,

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part
#4=G:
bootable
Win2K.
I
have
used
GhostPE
to
copy
this
working
drive
to
a
backup
HD
for
quite
a
while
with
rare
problems.
But
now,
every
time
i
do
this,
i
get
the
message
"NTFS
Error:
Could
not
read
used
MFT
REcord
-
run
CHKDSK"
right
before
it
does
the

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copy.
I
have
carefully
run
Defrag
and
(Win2K's)
CHKDSK
on
all
drives
and
then
tried
the
copy;
same
crap.

How
the
&&#\$
can
this
be
fixed?

Dunno..I
use
Acronis
True
Image.
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from
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Can
you
tell
it
how
many
sectors
to
use
for
each

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partition
(like
one
can
do
in
GhostPE)?

I just set
Acronis to
clone and
compress
any
complete
partition I
chose.
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Compress?
Does that mean the resulting
HD cannot be used as a
replacement when
the sh** hits the fan?

When a drive craps out, the drive is replaced
and a boot CD is used to
transfer the disk image to the new hard
drive.
The disk image can be from
DVD,CD,another hard drive etc..

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Right...that means some OS is needed – which is implied by
the words
"boot CD".
So in this case "image" is useless; one cannot *directly* take
a HD
with an "image" on it and use it as if it were the original.
I am lazy and do not want to futz around when my HD goes
bad; i can
switch HDs in 15 seconds and be booted up in a chosed OS
as fast as if
it were the original.

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Seems that Acronis will not do what i want.

** See comments like this below..

I imaged my single drive with OS, apps and all files to a spare hard disk.

** Time wasting step #1:

I then booted up with the Acronis boot CD and transferred that image to a 2 disk raid 0.

** lots of wasted time, step 2:

After a lengthy transfer, I rebooted and everything is back but on a speedy raid 0 setup.
Sure beats reinstalling winxp, all my apps and files. + settings..

** When i use GhostPE or Drive image, those steps do not exist; the resulting HD looks and acts like the original.

I'm aware of it but haven't done it yet and that is Raid 1 mirroring.
IIRC this is a live running copy of a drive.
Smash 1 drive with a hammer and the other drive takes over... No noticeable change.
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So, it seems you are confirming that Acronis is useless for my purposes.
Any other suggestions?
Any fixes for that MFT "problem"?

True..I don't recall Acronis automatically resizing partitions so it's generated image file can fit perfectly. A partition has to be defined first by a partitioning app.

I only know raid 1 mirroring and disk imaging apps (Ghost, Acronis Drive Image) for "photocopying" drives or partitions.

I know little about MFT..
Maybe try Norton tools???
In the past I've used disk checking programs from Maxtor.
Hard drive company's might be putting out their own diagnostic utilities.

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