

Re: OT: Norton GhostPE 2001 problem

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On Tue, 19 Jun 2007 18:27:45 GMT, Robert Baer
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[snip]

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

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utilities.

D from BC

I do not really "need" re-sizing; i could use Ghost or DriveImage (20Gbyte to 40Gbyte HD) for that, then Acronis (if it will do a COPY) for 40Gbyte-40Gbyte "backup" copying.

You seem to imply that Acronis might be able to do a copy if and only if the destination drive was previously partitioned to match the source.

I find that strange as all heck, because writing a drive does over-write what was there; at worst one would have (in my case) the first 20Gbytes copied to the first 20Gbytes of a blank HD with the remaining 20Gbytes untouched.

Space is needed for the Acronis image file. Also space is needed when Acronis extracts this image file.

The destination partition must be equal to or greater than the extracted image file. All contents in the partition get wiped out*.

For example: Acronis extracted a 7Gig image file onto my 10G partition.

D from BC

Thanks.

That seems to confirm my impression that Acronis cannot make a *copy* of a HD (to another).

Acronis True Image creates files that are analogous to a negative in photography. You don't get the picture until it's processed.

I've used Acronis to copy hard drives. But it has to create it's image file first.. It's not direct drive to drive copying.

I'm not sure but..isn't there a DOS command to copy disks?
XCOPY?? My DOS is rusty..

There's probably some utility out there that makes the read heads skim over everywhere on one disk and writes that data to another disk.

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D from BC

True, plain DOS cannot recognize FAT32, NTFS or Linux partitions – so cannot copy any part of a drive using those formats.

That utility would be nice...

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