

Windows 7 Backup and Restore Center

Microsoft finally listened to Windows end-users when they complained about the lack of backup applications available in previous operating systems. Microsoft engineers gritted their collective teeth (they *had* included backup programs in many of their previous operating systems), acknowledged that the backup apps could be difficult to use, and then created several user-friendly backup options that are all conveniently located in the new Windows 7 (Win7) Backup and Restore Center (BRC).

The BRC is a centralized location that makes it easy to set up and manage how backups are made as well as simplifying the restoration process. The BRC is built around the functions of previous backup and restoration apps, but offers a more intuitive interface and many features that allow end-user customization.

Backup

All end-users should back up all their data, all the time. In the past, many people chose not to do so because it was too difficult to make backups and too expensive to pay someone to administer and store them offsite. Now, with Win7, there is no excuse since the backup app is included as part of the operating system and can be done onsite. Top features include:

- **Backup destination-** End-users choose where backups will be made and stored: CD, external USB drive, or another location on the network.
- **Backup preferences-** End-users can choose which specific files to backup or let Win7 make that decision—generally, it will back up all files, user settings, app and window settings as well as create an entire image of the Windows system.
- **Back up frequency-** End-users choose how often to back up the system—daily, weekly or monthly backups can be scheduled to occur at convenient times.



Restore

With the Win7 restore app, it is easy to restore a lost or corrupted file. This can be done quickly from the BRC by clicking the “Restore my files” button and then choosing the version of the backup file to restore.

BRC Window Interface

The BRC popup window makes it easy to check the status of backup and restore settings. From this window, end-users can find out where backups are being stored, how much free space is available for future backups, when the last backups were made, and other useful information.

Learn More

The intelligent design and intuitive ease of accessing and using the Backup and Restore Center give end-users the ability to make their own choices about backing up and restoring their data. To learn more about the Backup and Restore Center, or to learn more about the new Windows 7 operating system, please call the Microsoft Gold Certified Partners at All Covered.

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