



Technology Bytes

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Backup4all

We all know the importance of keeping backup files of our most important information. Face it, inevitably something will go wrong and you don't want to be in the situation where you have lost all of your important data. Backup4all is an easy to use program for Windows that gives you peace of mind by keeping backups of the files and folders that are the most important to you.

Installing the software is a breeze. Once installed, just tell it what to do and it does it for you. When it has completed making the backup of the files you selected, it automatically runs a check to make sure everything is safe and secure, and easy to retrieve should you need to do so.

After opening the program, the wizards will help you through configuring your backup. There are plenty of choices with this utility. Besides being able to select individual files and entire folders, you can schedule the program to run automatically, perform full and incremental backups, compress the data to save space, and many more options. And the backup files will be placed in a standard zip format so you do not need to have the program in order to access the data you have backed up. When you make new backups, with the easy to view explorer type window you will be able to see what has changed from the last time you performed a backup.

With this program you can select exactly where you want to save your back up files. You can save them to any partition on your hard drive, an external hard drive, flash drive or a disc. With its own disc burning software included, if you are storing your backup files on a CD or DVD just select the drive letter of the appropriate hardware and your files will automatically be burned to the disc.

If you are worried about others accessing your data, there is the option to password protect your files. With the disc-spanning option, you can select how large you want your backup files to be and the program will split the files into the appropriate sizes.

Okay. Now that you have your important data backed up what do you do when you need to retrieve those files? Simply follow the wizards. You can select the individual files or complete folders you want to restore, and you can select where you want to restore them.

This utility is so flexible you are not limited to specific locations, sizes or even how or when to backup and restore. There are so many options available making this a completely programmable utility that every user can customize to his or her needs. And, you don't have to be a computer wiz to use it. It's user-friendly. Well, maybe the first time you might be a little confused because it offers so much versatility, but the handy wizards and user manual will guide you through the process and in no time you'll have peace of mind knowing your important files, data, photos, email etc. are backed up and easy to retrieve.

There are three versions available ranging in price from \$25 to \$45. Simply select the one that meets your needs. To find out more about the versions and the program, and to download a free 30-day trial, go to [their website](#). Backing up your files is simply peace of mind, and that is exactly what you get with this software.

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