

Tri-BACKUP 6

Which action to chose?

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Introduction

For all operations (copy, backup etc..), you must create or open an action, then define the settings and launch it (or set the automatic trigger).

Tri-BACKUP offers "Programmed Actions" and "immediate Actions".

The "**Programmed Actions**" are designed to keep the settings (to avoid having to repeat setup each time) and run automatically (although they can also be launched manually by the user).

The "**Immediate Actions**" were created to visualize and compare the contents of folders or disks, if you wish to check the content, or to choose specific files or folders to copy or treated.

Note: There are immediate actions that correspond to each of the programmed actions.

How to choose a type of action?

Depending on your needs, you choose the type of action that best suits them. Needs can be diverse, Tri-BACKUP has different actions.

You will find below an explanation corresponding to the main needs.

Copies and backups

You wish to copy your boot disk

The goal is to have an identical copy of your primary disk directly usable. We can then restart from the copy if necessary, or if the primary disk has a problem.

Use the programmed action "**Bootable Copy**": The copy will contain the system, your applications, documents and settings (an exact copy of your environment).

If you wish to make a punctual copy, disable the auto-execute settings. Once the action is created, you launch it manually in the panel "Programmed Actions," with the button "Execute Now".

If you want the copy to be automatically and regularly updated to keep it the same as your main drive, program it to run periodically (eg daily).

Note: The first execution will be long (since everything will be copied). Subsequent runs will be much faster because only a portion of the data will need to be updated.

You want to make a backup of the contents of a folder

The goal is to have a copy of certain documents.

Use the programmed action "**Copy Folder**": The copy will contain an exact copy of the original. Each execution of the action will update the copy, adding new files and replacing the modified files.

Note: If you want to do this operation one time only, you can use an immediate action "Copy".

You want to make a backup of several separate files

The goal is to have a single backup for several folders.

Use the programmed action "**Mirror Backup**" that allows you to save multiple folders or disks. The copy will contain a folder for each source folder / disk, each of these folders containing the exact copy of the related original.

Each execution of the action will update the copy, adding new files and replacing the modified files.

You wish a backup that keeps previous versions of each document

The goal is to have a backup of your data with the latest version, while retaining the successive versions of files (when only the latest version is kept with the copy or mirror backup actions).

Use the programmed action "**Evolutive Backup**": The copy will contain a folder for each source folder / disk, each of these folders containing the exact copy of the related original. Each folder also contains a specific hidden folder where the old versions of changed or deleted files are kept.

Each execution of the action will update the copy, adding new files and replacing the modified files (the old version is moved to the specific folder).

You want to make a new separate backup for each execution

The goal is to have, for each new backup, a new copy of your data in a new folder.

Use the programmed action "**Incremental Backup**": The copy will contain a folder for each source folder / disk, each folder containing the copy of the related original.

You can choose to copy, for each execution, only the recent files (old files are not copied to the backup), or all files from the source (the copy is complete and all files will be copied each time, including those who had not been modified since the last backup).

You wish to backup to an FTP server

The goal is to have a backup of your data to an FTP server (eg internet).

Use the programmed action "**Copy to FTP Server**" which allows you to save multiple folders or disks. The copy will contain a folder for each source folder / disk, each of these folders contains the exact copy of the related original.

Each execution of the action will update the copy, adding new files and replacing the modified files.

Note: This action is similar to the 'Mirror Backup'.

Note: You can use an immediate action to review and select items to copy.

You want to make a local copy of an FTP server

The goal is to have a copy of the data from an FTP server on a local disk.

Use the programmed action "**Copy from FTP Server**": The copy will contain an exact copy of the original. Each execution of the action will update the copy, adding new files and replacing the modified files.

Note: This action is similar to the action "Copy Folder".

Note: You can use an immediate action to review and select items to copy.

You want to compare the contents of two folders

Use Immediate Action "**Compare**": The list shows the different items. Select files or folders and click the Compare button and the action will compare the contents of each file.

The results are displayed in a list.

Synchronization

You wish to synchronize the contents of two folders

The objective is to perform the update of two folders by copying the missing documents and the latest documents in the other folder.

Use the programmed action "**Synchronize two Folders**": The contents of the two folders will be strictly identical after synchronization. Each execution of the action will update the two folders, adding new files and replacing older files with the latest version.

Note: If you want to do this operation from time to time, you can use an immediate action "Synchronize".

Other Actions

You want to regularly empty the contents of a folder

The aim is to regularly clean specific folders (temporary work folders, caches, etc.).

Use the programmed action "**Delete Folder**": With each execution, the contents of the folder will be deleted (note that the removal cannot be cancelled). The folder itself is not deleted.

You want to compress (and encrypt) the contents of a folder

The goal is to convert each file in a folder to a compressed file (and possibly encrypted with password).

Use the programmed action "**Compress Folder**": For each execution, each uncompressed file will be replaced by a compressed version.

Note: The compression format is a proprietary format of Tri-BACKUP. Tri-BACKUP is necessary to decompress and restore the original file.

Note: If you want to compress a copy (not the original), use the action "Copy Folder" and select the compression in the options.

You want to uncompress (and decrypt) the contents of a folder

The goal is to revert each compressed file in a folder to the original document.

Use the programmed action "**Uncompress Folder**": For each execution, each compressed file will be replaced with the original uncompressed version.

You want to change the visibility or change the owner of the items in a folder

The goal is to edit each file and each folder.

Use immediate action "**Modify Folder**".