Tips about backup and folder locations in Windows 7 (rev 10-9-2012)

- Make two partitions when installing the OS. 250 GB for system partition is enough.
- Move the user's folders to the 2nd partition.
- After installing the operating system and applications, create a system image with the utility's own Windows 7 on an external drive (2TB recommended)
- Make regular backups of files and folders on the second partition on the external drive.

Move the user folders to the 2nd partition.

The user folders: Search – Contacts – Downloads – Desktop – Favorites – Stored games – My music – My documents – My pictures – My videos – Links

Propiedades: Mis documentos	
General Compartir Seguridad	
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Los archivos de la carpeta Mis documentos se almacenarán en la ubicación de destino siguiente. Puede cambiar el destino de almacenamiento de archivos en esta carpeta a otro sitio en el disco duro, a otra unidad o a otro equipo en la red. C:\Users\quetzalcoatl\Documents <u>Restaurar predeteminados</u> <u>Mover</u> <u>Buscar destino</u>	Can be changed from its original location: C:\users\user_name To the 2nd partition.
	In Windows explorer, right mouse button over folder, properties, location TAB, move button.
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Create a system image on an external drive

- Open Start. Control panel Backup and restore
- Select Create a system image
- Select the external drive.
- Select partitions:

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Restoring computer from a system image located on an external drive

From Windows:

- Open *Start Control panel Restoring*. Another method: in the search box, write *restoring*
- Click on Advanced restoring methods
- Click on Use a system image previously created to recovering the computer and follow the steps

From the DVD of Windows installation:

- Insert the installation DVD or the system repair disk.
- Reinitiates computer using the general computer switch.
- If asked, press any key to initiate computer from the installation DVD or the system repair disk.
- Select language option and next.
- Click on Repair computer.
- Select a suitable recovery option and next.

Make regular backups of files and folders on the external drive

Manual copies

- Open Start[®] - Control panel – Security and restoring copies

First time, you must do:

- Select "Configuring security copies"
- Select the external drive where copies will be stored
- Select "Let me choose"
- Mark the folders and files to make copies
- In "Revising the security copy configuration" click on Change scheduling
- Disable "Run the security copy on a schedule (recommended)"
- Save configuration and close

The task is stored so that it can be executed on request. To execute on request: *Start* - *Control panel – Security and restoring copies – Backup now*

Each time it runs, it will copy only new or edited files in a folder parallel to the above. The folder name indicates the date and time of the backup.

Scheduled copies

Once you have created a manual task, we can schedule it by selecting: **Start** - **Control Panel - Backup and Restore - Enable Schedule**

You can schedule daily, weekly and monthly. Each time you finish a cycle, it overwrites the first backup.