

## Re: Writing to CD with the built-in Windows XP features

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Thanks a lot!

>-----Original Message-----

>Yes, what you're missing is "packet writing" software.

Except for the

>ability to re-format CD-RW media, XP treats CD-RW discs just like CD-R

>discs. Everything is written at once, and then the disc is "closed" or

>finalized. You need InCD (part of Nero), Direct CD (part of Easy CD) or a

>similar product that allows for "packet" writing. This is what allows the

>system to treat RW media just like another disk.

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>> Can anybody help me with the following: after writing to

>> a fresh CD, there is typically a lot of space left (&

>> indicated by the file system). When browsing the CD again

>> another day, that space seems to have "disappeared" -

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>> *filesystem says '0 bytes available' (although just after*

>> *writing it said, e.g., '600MBytes available').*

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>> *I seem to be missing something.*

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