

# Re: Removing read only attributes on folders

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- *From:* "Steven L Umbach" <n9rou@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
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I have never seen such a problem in that the read only attribute would not allow a copy operation. A couple things I would try though is to copy those files to another folder on your computer and then try to copy them to the DVD to see if that makes a difference or not. Try copying just a few of them to see if that works or not. Try making a zip file out of them and then copy that. If all else fails try using the built in ntbakup to back the files up to large backup file and then try to copy that to the DVD. If you try using the zip file or ntbakup do a dry run of restoring them to make sure it all works a expected. I also like using Norton Ghost to make image type backups and Norton lets you view and extract files from an image.

Steve

[http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/setup/learnmore/bott\\_03july14.mspx](http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/setup/learnmore/bott_03july14.mspx)  
-- ntbakup

"Ray Jr" <rayrauscherjr@xxxxxxxxxxxxx(donotspam)> wrote in message  
<news:A27CA304-2827-407A-A19D-595ACFB95E31@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Hi, im havig this problem: Im trying to save all my pics to a dvd for safe storage (approx 3.5 gigs worth). problem copying box pops up, says ,windows encountered a problem when trying to copy this file. what do you want to do ? retry cancel.

I was told to remove the read only attrib and did (for the files inside the folders) I was told the folder attrib didnt matter and I get that part.

But

still cannot copy the files individually or as folders.I have gone into Registry Editor, as told here

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/256614/EN-US/>

Article 256614 Revis 5.1. Having trouble with number 7 on the list here it

is; 7. After you make this change to the registry, you must change the Read-Only attribute for all affected folders by using the attrib command at a

command prompt (Command.com or Cmd.exe). Type attrib /? at the command prompt

to view the syntax for the attrib command. For example, to change the

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Read-Only attribute to System for the C:\Test folder, use the following command:

`attrib -r +s c:\test mine would be, attrib -r +s c:\all pics I do`

that, and get message, parameter format not correct, what am i doing wrong please help. I have been researching for awhile and notice this sort of problem alot but not the last part of the ? So now I ask for anybodys help please. All of my pictures of familly is on it and I dont want to lose them

thanks for your time. thanks Ray Jr

"Ram" wrote:

Hi,

Though I was able to change the file attributes, I was unable to change the folder attributes through the below command. Please suggest on this.

`attrib -r -s "C:\Documents and Settings\ITQA\My Documents\*" /s /d`

Regards

Ram