

RDBBackup

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Chapter 1

RDBBackup

1.1 RDBBackup.guide

RDBBackup 1.1 (20.4.96)
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'RDBBackup' is a GUI for the program 'ReadRDB' from Gérard Cornu, with this software you can backup the 'RigidDiskBlock' (RDB) of your harddisks very easy. The RDB of a harddisk contains all important informations for the system, e.g. a description of the drive and all partition data.

If the RDB is destroyed or you have made wrong settings with a harddisk utility, the files on a harddisk cannot be accessed by AmigaDOS. In this case you can try to make the harddisk usable by restoring the RDB from the backup.

Because of security it's only possible to write a RDB to the same harddisk. If you have changed the SCSI device or unit, you have to make a new backup!

If you use a wrong backup to restore the RDB, all data on the harddisk can be lost! 'RDBBackup' remembers the description of of the harddisk, the SCSI device and the unit of each backup. Nevertheless a backup can contain wrong data if you have changed the harddisk installation after the last backup. Be very careful and restore a RDB only if you know that the backup is up to date!

Copyright
Copyright notice

Author
Address of the author

ReadRDB

About ReadRDB

Public screen
Select the public screen

Backup directory
Select the backup directory

SCSI device
Select the SCSI device

Update list
Update the list of all connected peripherals

Backup RDB
Backup a RigidDiskBlock

Restore RDB
Restore a RigidDiskBlock

About
Show informations about the program

Save prefs
Save prefs

Quit
Quit program

1.2 RDBBackup.guide: Copyright

Copyright

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This program uses 'ReadRDB' to backup and restore the RigidDiskBlocks, please read the documentation in the 'ReadRDB_0.5' drawer. 'ReadRDB' is copyright (C) by Gérard Cornu!

This program uses the 'triton.library' for displaying the complete GUI. Please read the 'ReadMe' file in the 'Triton' drawer. The 'triton.library'

is copyright (C) by Stefan Zeiger!

1.3 RDBBackup.guide: Author

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1.4 RDBBackup.guide: ReadRDB

ReadRDB

Short: Backup RDBs. Bug under 2.x fixed. Oops! V0.5
Uploader: gerard@ariane.univ-lyon2.fr (Gerard Cornu)
Author: gerard@ariane.univ-lyon2.fr (Gerard Cornu)
Type: disk/misc
Replaces: disk/misc/ReadRDB.lha
Version: 0.5

Can read an RDB (Rigid Disk Block) and save it to a file, as for backup purpose, and write it back later on the hard disk. Gives also the state of the reselection flag and all of rdb_Flags. English and French documentation in AmigaGuide© form.

Now include a FORCE switch to read and write non standard RDBs. Use this switch at your own risk!

V0.5: Bug fixed: Unability, under 2.x, to write back an RDB. Must have been here since 0.2, Oops! Thanks to "Sheer Panic" for reporting it.

Have fun, and keep writing useful stuff for our nice machine.
Thanks!

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*** Against all nuclear testing ***

1.5 RDBBackup.guide: Public screen

Public screen

All windows of 'RDBBackup' will open on this screen. If you click on the button beside the string gadget, you can select one of the currently open public screens from a list.

1.6 RDBBackup.guide: Backup directory

Backup directory

All backups of the RigidDiskBlocks are stored in this directory. If you click on the button beside the string gadget, a drawer requester opens and you can select a directory.

1.7 RDBBackup.guide: SCSI device

SCSI device

In this field, you must specify the name of the SCSI device to be used. If you click on the button beside the string gadget, you can select a device from a list of all available devices.

1.8 RDBBackup.guide: Update list

Update list

Reads the descriptions of all connected SCSI peripherals and updates the list.

1.9 RDBBackup.guide: Backup RDB

Backup RDB

Reads the RigidDiskBlock of the selected harddisk and stores it in the backup directory. The filename of the backup is created from the SCSI device and the unit number, the file comment contains other informations about the harddisk.

Example:

Filename	Comment
RDB_scsi.device_0	IBM DPES-31080 S31Q - scsi.device Unit 0

This function is only available if the selected peripheral is a harddisk. If you select a removable cartridge drive, you must insert a cartridge.

1.10 RDBBackup.guide: Restore RDB

Restore RDB

Restores the RigidDiskBlock of the selected harddisk, you must confirm this function two times. 'ReadRDB' will be started only if both questions are answered positive, then 'ReadRDB' displays all available data. This is your last chance to cancel the restoration, if you answer the question with 'y', the RigidDiskBlock is written to the selected harddisk!

This function is only available if a valid backup for the selected harddisk, SCSI device and unit exists!

1.11 RDBBackup.guide: About

About

Displays informations about the program.

1.12 RDBBackup.guide: Save prefs

Save prefs

Saves the public screen, backup directory and SCSI device to the file 'RDBBackup.prefs'.

1.13 RDBBackup.guide: Quit

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Quits the program.
