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## Partitioning under Windows 7

### O&O PartitionManager 2.7 for safe and reliable hard disk management

Berlin, October 29, 2009 - Create, delete, extend and shrink partitions – with their current O&O PartitionManager 2.7, Berlin-based O&O Software of Berlin has now released a Windows 7 compatible version of their partitioning tool. What sets the product apart is the one-of-a-kind support for all drive types from Windows 7, Vista and Windows XP, including GPT, basic and dynamic disks.

O&O PartitionManager 2.7 contains cutting-edge technology from the multiple award-winning products O&O Defrag and O&O SafeErase, meaning both private and corporate data can be securely erased and hard disks optimized.

O&O PartitionManager can also be used without a running operating system, as it can be started direct from Start CD to make changes to the system partition, for example. The Start CD is based on Windows Preinstallation Environment (PE) and has the familiar look-and-feel of Windows.

### Functions at a glance

**Storage volume support:** In addition to MBR disks, the program is able to identify and support dynamic and GPT disks, USB Sticks, and memory cards. All of these can be used for creating and converting various types of disks. An example of this would be your creating dynamic disks out of basic disks and then further converting them into dynamic or “spanned” volumes with just a few clicks of the mouse.

**Create, delete, extend and shrink partitions:** The size of a partition can be changed according to its size and amount of data allocation. You could, for example, divide a large partition into several smaller ones by first shrinking it down to the smallest size and then allocating the freed space among a number of small partitions.

**Change system partitions with the Start CD:** The usual disk manager programs provide only limited possibilities for changing system partitions. They normally require restarting the computer and then working in native mode, which denies you the chance to get directly involved because the processes must be run without user interaction. The Start CD from O&O PartitionManager, on the other hand, is based on Windows PE. As a result of this, you’ll be able to extend, shrink or move system partitions without any restrictions.

**Integration of cutting-edge O&O technology:** O&O PartitionManager 2.7 contains technology from the multiple award-winning products O&O Defrag and O&O SafeErase. O&O Defrag produces a sustained increase in hard disk performance. O&O Defrag technology has been integrated into O&O PartitionManager to achieve, amongst other things, the maximum possible shrinkage of partitions. The inclusion of technology from O&O SafeErase guarantees the secure deletion of data as well as of free disk space. If a partition is deleted using O&O PartitionManager 2.7, data can no longer be recovered. Using the O&O SafeErase technology means the hard disk can be passed on with no chance of your sensitive data being accessed. It also contains

numerous system rescue and management functions, such as O&O FileExplorer, O&O RegEditor and O&O CheckDisk.

### **Prices and availability**

O&O PartitionManager 2.7 Professional Edition is available immediately from retailers at a cost of \$49.95. An upgrade from O&O PartitionManager 2.x is free of charge. An upgrade from all popular competing products costs \$29.95. Retailers can obtain O&O PartitionManager 2.7 Professional Edition from the O&O Authorized Distributors Lifeboat Distribution, Pillar Solutions, Inuit AB and inTechnology. A full list of O&O Authorized Resellers and O&O Authorized Distributors can also be found at <http://www.oo-software.com/partner/en/>.

Interested users can download a free trial version of O&O PartitionManager 2.7 Professional Edition from the O&O Software website. With the trial version, users can manage partitions easily and quickly on their computer for 30 days, in order to experience for themselves the wide range of functions and features the product has to offer.

### **O&O products already Windows 7 compatible**

- O&O Defrag 12 – packs file fragments back together, optimizing disk performance
- O&O DiskImage 4 – prevent data loss with time-scheduled images
- O&O DriveLED 3 – monitors hard disks and warns of defects
- O&O SafeErase 4 – simple and secure deletion of sensitive data and internet history

### **About O&O Software**

O&O develops solutions for corporate customers that not only support them in their daily activities, but also help substantially reduce their costs. Our products for system optimization, data imaging, data recovery, secure data deletion and company-wide administration are pioneers in the Windows technology sector. Together with our worldwide network of partners, we support corporations, companies, public authorities and private customers in over 140 countries, all from our headquarters in Berlin, Germany.

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