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Xbox One Partition Layout

HDD has a GPT partition table & contains 5 partitions

o Items without sizes have no sizes listed as they will depend on the system

Normal Layout

Partition 1 (Temp Content) 41GB

- *\$sosrst.xvd* (50,596KB)
- **appswapfile.xvd** (2,109,584KB)
- ConnectedStorage-retail (9,548,892KB)
- *GDVRIndex.xvd* (103,628KB)
- *ScreenShots.xvd* (1,061,020KB)
- **temp00** (2,097,164KB)
- **temp01** (2,097,164KB)
- **temp02** (2,097,164KB)

Partition 2 (User Content):

- PLS (folder)
- SharedStorage (folder)

Partition 3 (System Support) **40GB**:

- Controllers (folder)
- cache0.cfg
- cms.xvd
- DataCollectionUploader 0
- LastConsole
- user.xvd
- WER.xvd

Partition 4 (System Update) **12GB**:

- A (folder)
 - SettingsTemplate.xvd (37,144KB)
 - *sosinit.xvd* (11,964KB)
 - *sostmpl.xvd* (63,516KB)
 - *systemaux.xvd* (494,876KB)
 - SystemTools.xvd (466,44KB)
- B (folder)
 - *host.xvd* (49,364KB)
 - SettingsTemplate.xvd (120,784KB)
 - *sosinit.xvd* (11,964KB)
 - *sostmpl.xvd* (63,516KB)
 - *system.xvd* (1,667,660KB)
 - *systemaux.xvd* (820,596KB)
 - systemmisc.xvd (748,192KB)
 - systemtools.xvd (38,484KB)
- *updater.xvd* (63,644KB)

Partition 5 (System Update 2) **7GB**:

no data, empty

Rebuilding OS using OSUDT Downloads (from Xbox Support site)

- > If your original HDD still boots, skip Steps to Rebuild OS and only utilize Windows WIM Commands below
- > Partition 4 (System Update) is the partition that will rebuild the OS on a bare HDD

Prerequisites

- Download OSUDT1 & OSUDT2
 - support.xbox.com/en-US/xbox-one/console/offline-system-update-diagnostic-tool
- Download from Scripts folder (fork of github.com/Juvenal1/xboxonehdd)
 - gptutil.py xboxonehdd.py
- mkxboxfs-500gb.py
- > PC/VM running Linux, such as Ubuntu or PartedMagic, both of which can be run from a liveCD

Recommendations

- I strongly encourage making a WIM backup of Partitions 1, 3, & 4 via Windows once all user content has been synced (this will prevent you having to go through this again should you replace/upgrade the HDD).
 - If rebuilding, I recommend doing so after the rebuild, as I'm not sure what, if anything, is added to partitions 1,
 3, & 4 during the syncing of the Xbox Live Account

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Windows WIM Commands

- Z:\ is the image save location
- D:\, E:\, & F:\ are the respective drive letters for Xbox One partitions 1, 3, & 4
- ➤ Temp Content (D:\)
 - DISM /Capture-Image /ImageFile:Z:\TempContent.wim /CaptureDir:D:\ /Name:"Xbox One Partition 1" /Description:"Temp Content" /Compress:max /CheckIntegrity /Verify
- System Support (E:\)
 - DISM /Capture-Image /ImageFile:Z:\SystemSupport.wim /CaptureDir:D:\ /Name:"Xbox One Partition 3" /Description:"System Support" /Compress:max /CheckIntegrity /Verify
- System Update (F:\)
 - DISM /Capture-Image /ImageFile:Z:\SystemUpdate.wim /CaptureDir:D:\ /Name:"Xbox One Partition 4" /Description:"System Update" /Compress:max /CheckIntegrity /Verify
- Apply WIM
 - DISM /Apply-Image /ImageFile:Z:\TempContent.wim /Index:1 /ApplyDir:D:\ /CheckIntegrity /Verify

Steps to Rebuild OS

- Connect replacement HDD to PC & note of what its drive letter is (sda, sdb, etc.); then run the xboxonehdd.py script
- 2. If replacement drive is larger than original HDD, run the mkxboxfs-500gb.py script
- 3. Copy the following to Partition 4
 - Folder A should contain all OSUDT1 files, except system.xvd & updater.xvd
 - host.xvd
 - SettingsTemplate.xvd
 - sosinit.xvd
 - sostmpl.xvd
 - systemaux.xvd
 - SystemTools.xvd
 - Folder B should contain all OSUDT1 files, except updater.xvd
 - host.xvd
 - SettingsTemplate.xvd
 - sosinit.xvd
 - sostmpl.xvd
 - system.vxd
 - systemaux.xvd
 - SystemTools.xvd
 - updater.xvd (root of partition)
- 4. Unmount HDD mount points, run the xboxonehdd.py script again & connect HDD to Xbox One
- 5. Xbox will boot, begin to update, and fail about 25% of the way through
- **6.** Shut down the Xbox One cleanly via a single touch (do not hold the power button)
 - Failure to do this prevents one from doing what's next
- **7.** Replace *OSUDT1* files in Folder B with files from *OSUDT 2* (copy and paste)
 - Folder B is the actual update folder, with Folder A containing files from the previous update.
- 8. Reconnect drive to the Xbox One and boot up... It should continue the update and finish successfully.
- **9.** Once you are at the Xbox Home Screen, shut down the Xbox completely via the menu (*must be fully shut down, not put into standby*)
- 10. Copy all files from each partition into 4 separate folders (1 for each partition) on a separate HDD OR utilize Windows WIM Commands above to capture WIMs of partitions 1, 3, & 4
- 11. Run mkxboxfs.py script (not mkxboxfs-500gb.py): python mkxboxfs.py
- 12. Copy all files back to their respective partitions OR apply the WIMs to their respective partitions
- 13. Once reconnected to the Xbox One, it should boot and display the correct size for free space.
 - If you receive an error after reinstalling the HDD, you need to rerun the xboxonehdd.py script

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❖ WIM Sizes

- > TempContent.wim
 - 416,895 KB
- SystemSupport.wim
 - 1,125,075 KB
- SystemUpdate.wim
 - 4,175,222 KB

WIM Verification

- Verify WIM File
 - DISM /Get-WimInfo /WimFile:"Z:\TempContent.wim"
- Verify WIM File Index(es)
 - DISM /Get-WimInfo /WimFile:"Z:\TempContent.wim" /Index:1

WIM Information

- While one could make a WIM backup of the User Content partition, I don't recommend it if you have broadband internet, as xvd storage is efficient, and you'll have a resulting WIM image almost the exact same size as the used space on the partition.
 - Everything contained on the User Content partition is downloaded once your Xbox Live account is synced.

External Drives

- If Windows doesn't recognize the HDD, you simply need to flip the 1st sector bits from 99CC to 55AA
 - withinrafael.com/taking-a-peek-at-xbox-one-formatted-disks-in-windows
- You can also flip the bits using a *nix OS (where /dev/sdc is the disk)
 - echo -en '\x55\xAA' | dd conv=notrunc of=/dev/sdc bs=1 seek=510 2>/dev/null 1>&2
- > Flipping the bits back to 99CC
 - echo -en '\x99\xCC' | dd conv=notrunc of=/dev/sdc bs=1 seek=510 2>/dev/null 1>&2