BTDeploy

Paper outlining the BTDeploy program, and basic setup.

This document provides a basic how-to for a reasonably technically proficient user to create a system image compatible with BTDeploy, and how to actually deploy machines using the software.

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# Introduction

Before you start diving in, I’ll explain some basic information about the program. It’s simply a GUI that simplifies a lot of other tasks. It isn’t some “all in one” solution like Symantec Ghost. It utilises certain programs to achieve certain tasks. Be wary of this when deploying, and also be aware that this program is unsupported other than this document, and email. Note that a reply cannot be guaranteed, but I’ll endeavour to reply 99% of the time within 24 hours.

# Prerequisites

Before you get started the following software will be needed to keep upto date, build, and deploy *BTDeploy*.

* Git – or TortoiseGit [I use both]
* Windows Deployment Services, or equivalent to provide network PXE boot.
* WAIK 3.0 [Windows Automated Installation Kit]. Download from Microsoft.com.
* Symantec Ghost.
* ImageX [part of WAIK]
* Other programs listed in the .gitignore file in the root directory.
* Drivers for your OS [be it Win7 or Vista]