

<p>Base Documents: OSTA Universal Disk Format Specification Revisions 2.00 and 2.01</p>
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Subject: Requirements for DVD-RAM/RW/R interchangeability

Description:

Requirements for DVD-RAM, DVD-RW, and DVD-R discs for use with consumer appliances (e.g. dedicated DVD content recorder/player) are specified as a new appendix for UDF 2.00 and 2.01.

Change:

Add new appendix 6.x:

6.x Requirements for DVD interchangeability

This appendix defines the requirements and restrictions on volume and file structures for writable DVD media, including but not limited to DVD-RAM discs (6.x.1), DVD-RW discs (6.x.2) and DVD-R discs (6.x.3), to support the interchange of information between users of both computer systems and consumer appliances. The common requirements for these DVD discs are summarized as follows:

1. The volume and file structure shall comply with UDF 2.00.
2. The minimum UDF Read and UDF Write revisions shall be 2.00.
3. The length of logical sector and logical block shall be 2048 bytes.
4. A Main Volume Descriptor Sequence and a Reserve Volume Descriptor Sequence shall be recorded.

These requirements do not apply to discs which are only to be used in a computer system environment and consequently have no need for interchangeability with consumer appliances.

6.x.1 Requirements for DVD-RAM

The requirements for DVD-RAM discs are based on UDF 2.00. The volume and file structure is simplified as for overwritable discs using non-sequential recording.

For Volume Structure:

1. A partition on a DVD-RAM disc shall be an overwritable partition specified as access type 4.
2. Virtual Partition Map and Virtual Allocation Table shall not be recorded.
3. Sparable Partition Map and Sparing Table shall not be recorded.

For File Structure:

4. Unallocated Space Table or Unallocated Space Bitmap shall be used to indicate a space set. Freed Space Table and Freed Space Bitmap shall not be recorded.
5. Non-Allocatable Space Stream shall not be recorded.

6.x.2 Requirements for DVD-RW

The requirements for DVD-RW discs under Restricted Overwrite mode are based on UDF 2.00. The volume and file structure is simplified as for rewritable discs using non-sequential recording.

For Volume Structure:

1. A disc shall consist of a single volume with a single sparable partition per side.
2. A Sparable Partition Map and Sparing Table shall be recorded.
3. Length of a packet shall be 16 sectors (32 KB) and the first sector number of a packet shall be an integral multiple of 16.
4. Virtual Partition Map and Virtual Allocation Table shall not be recorded.

For File Structure:

5. Unallocated Space Bitmap shall be used to indicate a space set. Unallocated Space Table, Freed Space Table and Freed Space Bitmap shall not be recorded.
6. Non-Allocatable Space Stream shall be recorded.
7. ICB Strategy type 4 shall be used.
8. Short Allocation Descriptors or the embedded data shall be recorded in the Allocation Descriptors field of the File Entry or Extended File Entry. Long Allocation Descriptors shall not be recorded in this field.

6.x.3 Requirements for DVD-R

The requirements for DVD-R discs under Disc at once recording mode and under Incremental recording mode are based on UDF 2.00. The volume and file structure is simplified as for write once discs using sequential recording.

For Volume Structure:

1. Length of a packet shall be an integral multiple of 16 sectors (32 KB) and the first sector number of a packet shall be an integral multiple of 16.
2. Sparable Partition Map and Sparing Table shall not be recorded.

3. Under Incremental recording mode, only one Open Integrity Descriptor shall be recorded in the Logical Volume Integrity Sequence.
4. Under Incremental recording mode, Virtual Partition Map shall be recorded.

For File Structure:

5. Unallocated Space Table, Unallocated Space Bitmap, Freed Space Table and Freed Space Bitmap shall not be recorded.
6. Only one File Set Descriptor shall be recorded.
7. Non-Allocatable Space Stream shall not be recorded.
8. Under Incremental recording mode, Virtual Allocation Table and VAT ICB shall be recorded.
9. Under Incremental recording mode, ICB Strategy type 4 shall be used.
10. Under Incremental recording mode, the VAT entries in VAT shall be assigned as follows:
 - The virtual address 0 shall be used for File Set Descriptor.
 - The virtual address 1 shall be used for the ICB of the root directory.
 - The virtual addresses in the range of 2 to 255 shall be assigned for the File Entry of DVD_RTAV directory and File Entries of files under the DVD_RTAV directory.

6.x.4 Requirements for Real-Time file recording on DVD discs

DVD Video Recording specification defines the DVD specific sub-directory "DVD_RTAV" and all DVD specific files under the DVD_RTAV directory. DVD specific files consist of Real-Time files with the file type 249 and the related information files.

For Volume Structure:

1. For DVD-RAM/RW discs, a disc shall consist of a single volume with a single partition per side. For DVD-R discs, a disc shall consist of a single volume with a write once partition and a virtual partition per side.
2. For DVD-RW discs, First Sparing Table and Second Sparing Table shall be recorded.

For File Structure:

3. For DVD-RAM/RW discs, only Unallocated Space Bitmap shall be used.
4. For DVD-RW discs, the extent of Unallocated Space Bitmap should have the length of Space Bitmap Descriptor for the available Data Recordable area.
5. Consumer Content Recorders record all their data in a special subdirectory, DVD_RTAV, located in the root directory. The DVD_RTAV directory and its contents have special file system restrictions which are defined in DVD

Specifications published by DVD Format/Logo Licensing Corporation. An implementation or application should not create or modify files in this directory unless it meets the restrictions defined by DVD Specifications specified above.

Date: November 1, 2000

Subject: Change for DVD documents contact information

Description:

Contact information to obtain DVD documents is changed.

Change:

In 6.9.3, replace the contact information with

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