

Welcome to the DVDXGold Pro Newsletter!

In our newsletter we publish More Information about DVD X Gold Pro, along with Regular Reports and Special Discounts on Various Products in Our Product Range.

Do you have any questions about DVDXGold Pro? If you do, then perhaps this email will help.

I thought that I'd take the time to email you some answers to many of the common questions that we have been receiving lately:

Question 1: How long does it take to copy a DVD to DVD?

How long is a piece of string? It depends...

DVD Copying Speeds

DVD copying speed is directly proportional to the speed of your computer and the DVD drive. On a computer with a Pentium 4 2.0GHz computer with a DVD drive that has 4X writing and 16X reading speed, a 90 minute long movie takes about 30 minutes to copy the movie (reading plus decoding and encoding if needed) and another 15 minutes to write the movie on a blank DVD.

Copying time will vary with the length of the movie and the makeup of your computer. Writing speeds are fixed by the DVD drive and media combination - some DVDs can handle higher writing speeds, some slower.

Question 2: How can I Speed Up Copying Speeds?

To reduce the time it takes to duplicate a DVD, do one or a combination of the following:

Upgrade the computer (CPU and RAM)

Get a faster DVD drive

It is also highly recommended that you keep the drivers on the hardware (especially the DVD drive) up to date. Please refer to your drive's manual for more information on how to update the driver.

Question 3: How long does it take to copy a DVD to CD-R?

The time required for decoding will vary depending upon the speed of the computer, the level of quality of the DVD, the speed of the CD-writer and the speed of the DVD drive.

Your computer will be processing many gigabytes of movie data and when you consider the amount of data involved, the time required for the whole process is actually relatively short. Faster computers can typically decode a 2 hour movie in less than four hours. Slower computers will take longer. However, the process does not require your constant attention as you can begin the process before you go to bed or while you are at work.

For a computer running a Pentium III 850 MHZ with 128MB of RAM, you can expect the entire

process to take between 4-6 hours for an average two hour movie.

How to Speed Up Copying Speeds

To reduce the time it takes to copy a DVD onto a CD-R, do one or a combination of the following:

Upgrade the computer (better CPU and RAM)

Get a faster CD-writer

Get a faster DVD drive

Reduce the quality of the movie (by choosing a strong compression method)

Delete (i.e. not copy) the extras e.g. trailers, menus, bloopers It is also highly recommended that you keep the drivers on the hardware (especially the DVD drive) up to date. Please refer to your drive's manual for more information on how to update the driver.

Question 4: What do I need to copy a VHS tape to DVD?

You require a modern video/graphics card on the computer that has a Video in port. You then need to either connect a camcorder or a VCR (Video Cassette Recorder) system to this port. The relevant software is also required on the computer to capture the video.

Do note that DVDXGold(TM) offers ways of copying a VHS (Video Home System) tape to DVD or CD. However, a graphics card with a video-in port on your computer is still a basic requirement.

You can find the answers to many other commonly asked questions at:

<http://www.dvdxgoldpro.com/faq.html>

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