

DVD Formats

CDs – 700 megabytes

DVDs- 4.7 gigabytes (roughly 130 min of movie time)

DVD(doublesided) – 9.4 GB

Note: ; if you don't buy the correct type of DVD for your DVD-RW, you might not be able to play the discs you make.

DVD-RAM is an early iteration of DVD. It was developed primarily to store data and be used on computers. If you create a disc using DVD-RAM, you are very likely to run into compatibility problems. DVD players usually work well with DVD-R and DVD+R.

DVD-R = DVD recordable. It means you can record the disc just **once**.

DVD-RW = DVD rewritable. You can erase and rewrite those discs about 1,000 times.

DVD+R is similar to DVD-R, in that it is writeable just **once**.

DVD-R and DVD+R, are most likely to play back in a home DVD player.

DVD-RAM may or may not play back in a home DVD player.

Note: many of the 'specialty' brands that cost a lot more, make little improvement in your copies...don't waste your \$\$\$\$

It is essential that you check the instructions for **your DVD player**. If you do not have the instructions manual, go to the manufacturer web site and find it. Or rightclick MY COMPUTER...click Properties. Click Hardware...click Device Manager. Click the plus beside your DVD disk and select Properties. It may tell you if it's a DVD-R or a DVD+R drive. Many are +R/-R.