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Thread: [Transfer W10 installation to new SSD disk](#)

KaZio - February 13, 2018, 6:10 pm

Hi guys,

I just ordered myself a new SSD disk and have some questions i was hoping you could help me with.

1. How can i "transfer" my current Windows installation from my current HDD to the new SSD without any problems?
2. If i want to encrypt the disk, is this something i do with Veracrypt before the windows installation or after?

Thanks!

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EliteTM - February 13, 2018, 10:23 pm

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?Apocalypse - February 13, 2018, 10:33 pm

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KaZio - February 13, 2018, 11:15 pm

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1. I assume the new SSD can't be encrypted while its's being used? So i have to encrypt it from my current OS?

2. I need to reactivate Windows after migrating the data? If so, i guess it's sufficient with the license key?

?Apocalypse - February 14, 2018, 5:59 pm

First: Can be done while in use within the OS:

Second: Activation is done automatically over the internet, if no issue is found:

KaZio - February 15, 2018, 12:35 am

Thanks for the help!

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