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O&O SafeErase 12 now deletes confidential business data under Windows Server 2016 securely

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The careless handling of confidential business data is one of the main reasons why it can fall into the wrong hands. Most companies manage to protect themselves effectively against viruses and hackers. But all too often they ignore or completely forget the importance of securely deleting data on machines that are being put out of commission. Now more than ever, it's crucial to prevent sensitive data from ever leaving the company on machines being returned after leasing or as part of some guarantee. O&O SafeErase offers companies a simple, convenient, and economical solution for doing just that.

To provide companies with even greater protection for their business data, O&O Software GmbH introduces the latest version of its data security solution, the O&O SafeErase 12 Server Edition. This version natively supports Windows Server 2016. When data is deleted using only the standard Windows methods, it can be easily restored with specialized software in no time at all. This presents a great risk of losing confidential data, especially as it is often impossible to know who will eventually get hold of company machines after they've been decommissioned.

This latest version is THE solution for administrators to assure maximum protection by securely deleting files, partitions, and entire disks. Along with a wide range of enhancements, the product's general functionality has also been significantly extended.

O&O SafeErase has an analysis feature that scans all of a computer's disks to find data that has not been fully deleted as well as other potential risk factors such as internet histories or cookies. At the end of this analysis, the server or workstation can be cleaned up with just one click. SSDs will also be automatically recognized and deletion carried out using resource-friendly TRIM commands.

The Workstation and Server Editions enable parallel and secure deletion of all disks simultaneously, saving lots of time. These editions are aimed at companies who wish to securely wipe confidential data from disks before passing the hardware on or disposing of it. Using professionally recognized methods, O&O SafeErase deletes sensitive data so securely that restoration is impossible, even when using specialized recovery software.

O&O SafeErase 12 Server is fully integrated in the current Microsoft Windows Server 2016 operating system but can also be used under all other previous Windows Server and Desktop versions. It supports all current versions of Microsoft Edge, Microsoft Internet Explorer, Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox browsers.

New and enhanced features

Scripting integration: O&O SafeErase can integrate individual scripts for running deletions automatically over command lines.

Wiping an entire computer with O&O TotalErase: All files, settings, programs, and the operating system itself will be deleted so completely that restoration is impossible. Wiping the entire computer, including the start partition, can be done without the use of a bootable medium.

SSD (Solid State Drive) Drives: O&O SafeErase 12 uses a special method that has been customized for securely deleting data on SSDs.

Six deletion methods: Overwriting data with zeros means less sensitive data can be deleted at great speed. In addition, O&O SafeErase offers a further five methods of deletion, each one differing in the amount of procedures and the type of overwriting employed. Along with standard deletion procedures used by the U.S. Departments of Defense (DoD) and the German Bundesamts für Sicherheit in der Informationstechnik (BSI), the Gutmann Methods are also available, matching the highest security requirements and overwriting data 35 times.

Delete multiple disks simultaneously: With O&O SafeErase it's possible to run parallel deletion of free space and partitions on the different physical disks of servers and workstations. Deletion is performed simultaneously and not, as in the Professional Edition, on one disk after the other. This allows companies to save a lot of time when deleting large volumes of data.

Multi-core processor support: Deletion is strongly accelerated because computer performance is being used to the fullest.

Internet Security: O&O SafeErase lists all saved information per browser – for example, cookies, form data, or internet histories – which can then be deleted individually or combined. After deletion, no one will be able to retrace any internet activity and online accounts are protected against unauthorized access.

Use O&O SafeErase without installation: O&O offers companies the special O&O BlueCon administration package for using O&O SafeErase on all its servers and computers. Along with O&O SafeErase, O&O BlueCon contains a large number of additional system recovery and security programs that give administrators complete access to a Windows system. Even when there's no access permission available or the system password has been forgotten. O&O BlueCon can be started directly from a CD or USB stick and is based on Windows PE so using it is completely intuitive and almost identical to using a regular Windows system.

Site-specific settings will be deleted (Firefox): Browser-specific databases store many permissions and settings assigned to each web page, such as whether passwords can be saved or pop-ups displayed, whether the image is allowed as a full screen or exceptions to "Do Not Track" (DNT) were made. O&O SafeErase deletes these files too.

Analysis: Temporary files and data that was not deleted securely will be displayed. The computer can them be cleaned up with just a few clicks so that these files can never be stolen and misused.
Instant Erase: Whenever data is deleted by right-clicking, a miniature dialog is displayed and secure deletion begins immediately.

Compatibility: O&O SafeErase Server is Windows 10 compatible with all Windows Server versions starting from 2008 R2. O&O SafeErase Professional supports Windows 10 and meets all system requirements from Windows 7 and Windows 8.

Browser security: O&O SafeErase lists per browser all the stored information - such as cookies, form data and Internet histories – which can be permanently deleted either individually or

combined. Once deleted, there are no traces of Internet activity, and online accounts are protected from unauthorized access.

Detailed reports: O&O SafeErase provides detailed reports that indicate the files that were permanently destroyed and the method that was used for doing so. The reports can be made anonymous by, for example, hiding file names to protect privacy.

Pricing and availability

O&O SafeErase 12 Server Edition costs 199 USD. O&O SafeErase 12 Professional Edition is available for 29.95 USD. The O&O SafeErase 12 Tech Edition costs 990 USD and can be used for providing data deletion as part of an IT service. All prices include 19% VAT where applicable.

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O&O develops solutions for corporate customers that not only support them in their daily activ-ities, but also help substantially reduce their costs. Our products for system optimization, data imaging, data recovery, secure data deletion and company-wide administration are pioneers in the Windows technology sector. Together with our worldwide network of partners, we support corporations, companies, public authorities and private customers in over 140 countries, all from our headquarters in Berlin, Germany.

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