



BullCharts

File Backup & Restore

a Tutorial

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Discussion Guidelines

- One person to “lead” the discussion (as a facilitator).
- Everyone else is free to contribute to the discussion, including:
 - Their view / understanding of the topic;
 - Any good interpretations of how to use it, especially if they have resulted in a good trade.

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One should always seek appropriate professional advice before entering into financial or other arrangements.

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Session — Agenda

1. Introduction to possible disaster scenarios.
2. **Which** BullCharts files are important?
3. **Where** are the BullCharts files stored?
4. Backup Manager - process
5. Restore Manager - process
6. Useful backup tips

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1. Introduction

Possible disaster scenarios:

- What would you do if your PC was stolen? or the hard drive crashed? (and BullCharts software and data are gone!!)
- Would it impact on your analyses?
- Would it stop you from trading?

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1. Introduction (cont)

Possible recovery options/steps:

1. Get a working PC.
2. Install BullCharts from CD and download all data (time consuming).
3. What about your Custom Indicators, Scans, files, etc.?
4. If you have a backup copy of “the files”, then just “restore” them.

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But...

- Which BullCharts files are useful? and
- Where are they stored? and
- How best to do this?

Any suggestions?



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2. Important Files

- BullStore Database (about 500MB)
- Your Default Template
- The “default” Templates
- Custom Templates* (the ones you created)
- Custom Indicators (ditto)
- Custom Scans (ditto)
- Watchlist(s) (ditto)
- IntelliCharts “items” (ditto)
- Toolbar Layout
- Workspace Files*
- Any saved BullCharts files*

* - Depending on where you store these files, they might not get backed up.

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3. Where are the files stored?

(a) Some files are stored here:

C:\Program Files\BullSystems\BullCharts\...

- BullStore Database:
...\\BullStore_Data_2005.mdf
- BullCharts Log file:
...\\BullCharts.log (a text file)

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3. Where are the files stored?

(b) Some files stored here:

C:\Program Files\BullSystems\BullCharts\...

- Default Templates Folder:
...\\Templates*.bct
- Custom Indicators:
...\\CustomIndicators*.bss
- Custom Scans:
...\\CustomScans*.sc
- Watchlists:
...\\WatchLists*.wl

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3. Where are the files stored?

(c) Some files stored here:

C:\Documents and Settings\Robert\
Application Data\BullSystems\BullCharts\...

- Your Default Template:
...\\DefaultTemplate.bct
- Last Used Workspace:
...\\LastWorkspace.bw
- IntelliCharts:
...\\BullCharts IntelliCharts\\xxx.bc
- Toolbar Layout:
...\\ToolbarLayout\\ToolbarLayout.3.6.6.26717.dnb

Note: if your Custom Templates are stored elsewhere, they are not backed up.

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4. Backup Manager

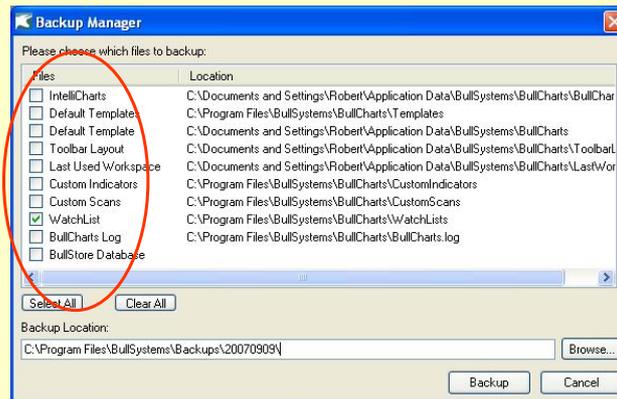
In BullCharts,
the Backup Manager tool
is a handy way
to take a copy of
your key BullCharts files.

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4. Backup Manager

In BullCharts menu: Tools > Backup

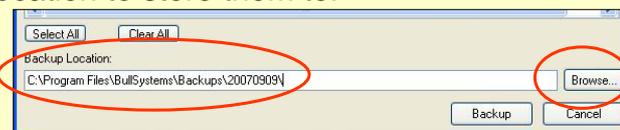
Step 1: Select items to backup.



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4. Backup Manager

Step 2: Select location to store them to.



Note:

- You should specify a folder path and name that includes a reference to the date (eg. 20070909), or the last backup will be over-written (if one exists).
- Backup Manager automatically appends a new sub-folder named: "BullCharts Backup".

Step 3: Click on "Backup" button.

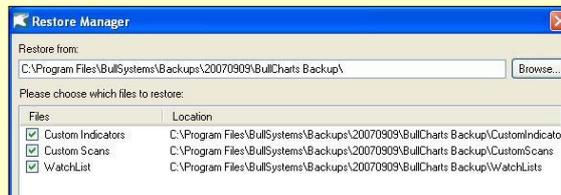
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5. Restore Manager

If you need to “Restore” some (or all) of your key files, use the BullCharts Restore Manager.

In BullCharts menu: Tools > Restore

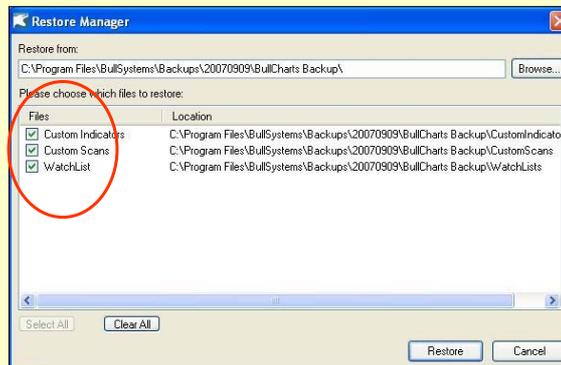
Step 1: Choose the offered Folder, or Browse to another Folder to restore from. (BullCharts remembers the last Backup/Restore location).



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5. Restore Manager

Step 2: Choose which Files to Restore.



Step 3: Click on “Restore” button.

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6. Useful backup tips

- To where can you backup your files?
 - Straight to CD or DVD disk (eg. a DVD-RW).
 - Straight to a USB memory stick.
 - Locally on hard drive (not ideal).
- Store the backup “off-site”.
- Keep successive generations of backup
(ie. do not overwrite the last backup with a new backup, because you might not discover a missing or corrupt file until after you have already done another few backups).

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Summary

- BullCharts Backup and Restore Manager.
- Easy to backup your key files.
- This could save you many hours of frustrating effort.

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Further comments
or
observations?

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