

Re: HELP with SORT and TMP SRnnn tables

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Liz,

Superb explanation – for both the technical and LOL portions!!

Thank you.

To emphasise one point you made: some apps (a likely example is Backup systems) create files in root folders of all available drive–letters, no–matter–what. If any PDox data or programs are in the ROOT of any drive, and if PDox is not expecting any "foreigners" at that location, PDox might get upset when these odd–ball files appear.

(I've been caught with that one – I had all programs at the root of a mapper drive–letter in the server, and had procs to copy these into a local client folder if any item is updated. These procs duly choked on the unexpected files...)

Zal,

I would add two more ways to Liz' excellent summary:

- 3) Mark all *directories* as hidden. Sadly, Paradox does not like it when the files themselves (db, fsl etc.) are hidden or that would be an extra layer of .
- 4) Mark all *directories* as read only (but don't automatically cascade that right down to all the sub–directories!).

On some PdoxDOS sites, I've had issues with ***** (ie, probably users!) deleting some important files. So, I marked all unchanging files (forms, reports, VALs, SETs, etc) and all program files, as Read–Only.

It helped greatly, but, obviously, was a small nuisance when these files had to be revised – one BAT file to clear all the R–O flags before updates were applied, and one to set them on the relevant files after the updates.

– Mike

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