

Backing up Carlson Jobs: Never Loose Data in SurvCE

There is, a risk of losing data that you collect in any field program.

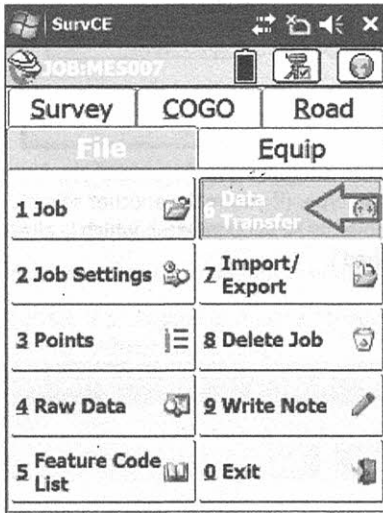
If anything goes wrong with the system, you must reinstall the operating system from scratch. This wipes out your program installations and it may wipe out all of the data that is stored on the device memory. (However, data on the internal SD Card should be safe.)

Luckily SurvCE has a simple mechanism that allows you to continuously back-up your work during the day.

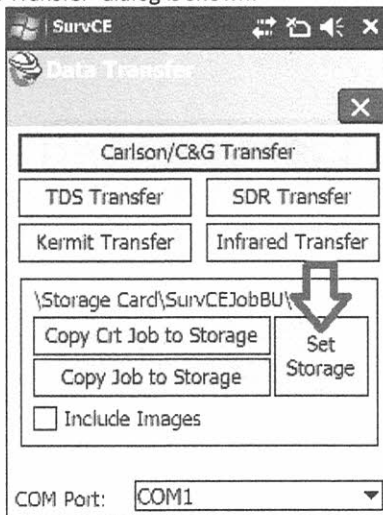
First make sure that your data collector has a SD or micro-SD card installed. These usually are placed in the battery compartment.

When you start a new job put it in the main memory. The default location in SurvCE is “/Device/Program Files/SurvCE/Data/”.

After you start a job, from the main menu go to ‘Equip: 6: Data Transfer’:



The ‘Data Transfer’ dialog is shown:



Click on the ‘Set Storage’ button, navigate to the SD card (often called ‘Storage Card’ or ‘MMC Data Card’) and configure the destination to be a new folder. Once the folder is named, click on the ‘Copy Crt (current) Job to Storage’. It will take about 1/2 second to replicate all of the current job’s files in the backup location.

Throughout the day return to this menu and click the ‘Copy Crt...’ button again to freshen your backup data copy.