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Our recommended backup tape usage and replacement schedule is derived from input from hundreds

In short..It works.

The schedule includes, at any time, 12 tapes. The tapes are labeled as follows:

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| 1) Monday | 5) Friday 1 | 9) Quarter 1 |
| 2) Tuesday | 6) Friday 2 | 10) Quarter 2 |
| 3) Wednesday | 7) Friday 3 | 11) Quarter 3 |
| 4) Thursday | 8) Friday 4 | 12) Quarter 4 |

The Monday through Thursday tapes are used as expected. On Fridays, one of 4 tapes is used.

The quarter 1,2,3 and 4 tapes are used at the end of each of your fiscal quarters. These tape

This rotation schedule requires purchasing four new tapes each year. At the time of purchase,

This schedule involves using each tape 66 times. We have found this to be a reasonable life e

Keep in mind the tapes need to be kept warm and dry and at least the weekly and quarterly tape

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