

# Backup Tape Write Protection

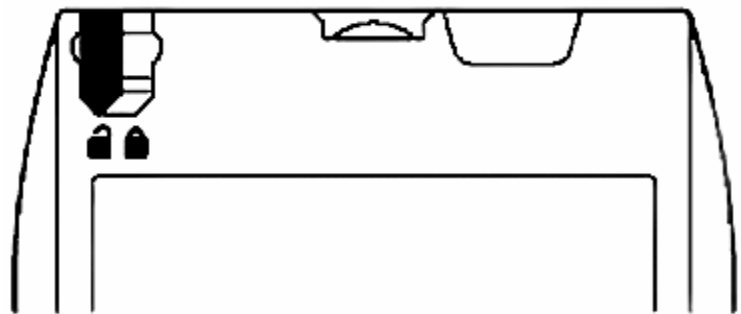
## Write Protection

In order to ensure you will get a good backup for the following night, you must check for write protection on your tape. Write protection must be turned off so the server can write data to the tape.

There are currently three types of tapes being used by our customers. These types are the Travan, DDS, and the SDLT formats. To find which tape you have, select the figure below which best looks like yours and follow the directions accordingly.

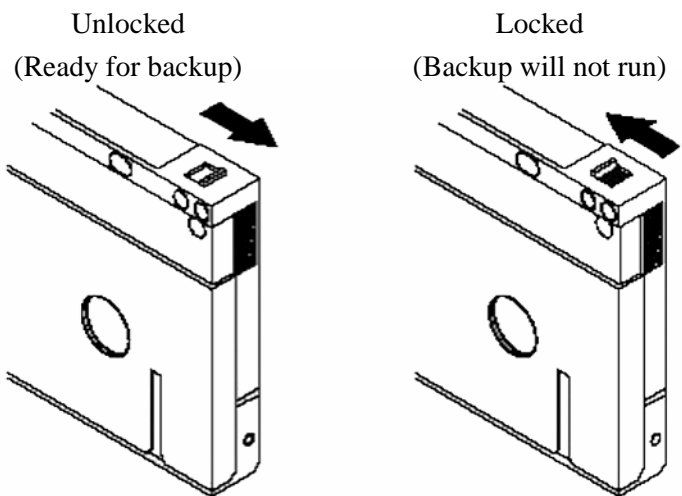
### Travan

The illustration shows the Travan cartridge with the write-protect switch in the non-protected (read/write) or unlocked position.



### DDS

The illustration on the left shows the DDS cartridge with the write-protect switch in the non-protected (read/write) or unlocked position.



This is the setting you should select before running the backup.

### SDLT

Write-protection switch on SDLT tape. Switch must not be showing red dot through it.

