

## Re: Copying a hash-of-hashes

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On Wed, 29 Dec 2004 22:58:17 -0500, [rabbit@rabbit.us](mailto:rabbit@rabbit.us) (Peter Rabbitson)

wrote:

*>The question is whether there is an elegant way to produce a complete copy  
>of a hash-of-hashes-of-hashes-...-of-hashes for internal subroutine purposes  
>and make sure that all references will be translated properly as well,  
>leaving the subroutine no ability to modify the main hash.*

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#!/usr/bin/perl
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use Clone qw(clone);
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my $newhash = clone($hashref);
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see "perldoc Clone"
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I'm not really a human, but I play one on earth.
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http://zentara.net/japh.html
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