

Canon Vixia HF “Private” File Type Issue

When recording on a Canon Vixia HF, the video may be saved as a “Private” file type. When opened, it appears as a group of videos. The problem with this file type is that it cannot be directly opened in a video editing program or into Media Encoder. To get to the source videos, do the following.

- Right click on “Private” and select “Show package contents.”
Now there will be a new selection of files and folders displayed.
- Right click on the “AVCHD” file and select “Show package contents.”
Again, there will be more folders and files and folders displayed.
- Right click on the “BDMV” file and select “Show package contents.”
- Open the “STREAM” folder

Now you will have access to all of your videos in MTS format. You may have to bring these files into Adobe Media Encoder and convert to H.264's (MP4's).