How to run Eclipse from your USB key?

Having a runnable copy of Eclipse on your USB drive is very handy. Here is how to set up Eclipse + JDT on your USB key. It assumes that your USB key is inserted as F:

Prepare Eclipse

- Download Eclipse Platform and JDT from http://www.eclipse.org/
- Extract the content of the two files to the directory “F:\Eclipse”

Prepare JDK

- You have to have Java Development Kit (JDK) installed on your computer first. Get JDK from http://java.sun.com
- Suppose JDK is installed at “C:\JDK”, copy the content of the directory “C:\JDK” to the directory “F:\JDK”

Create a start-up batch file

You could type the following commands every time you want to start Eclipse, or (highly recommended!) save the following commands to the file “F:\eslipse.bat”. Then you just need to double-click this file to start Eclipse.

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@echo off
set JAVA_HOME=“\JDK”
set ECLIPSE_HOME=“\Eclipse”
set PATH=%JAVA_HOME%\bin;%PATH%
ECLIPSE_HOME\eclipse.exe
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Done

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