

Re: Refresh Screen problem with screen

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For a laptop you can not obtain a driver update from the Nvidia.com Website. Try again at the sites I suggested in my previous post.

"Anne" <Anne@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Hello "JW"

We tried updating the drivers – kept getting an error message saying that because it was a laptop, it couldn't be done!!!

We went to where we buy our games from, mentioned the problem to him and he said it sounded as if it was the virtual memory not clearing out. Being more computer savvy than hubby I had a feeling it was that. He's not the sort to listen when he's made his mind up about something and is usually peering over my shoulder.

The guy at the shop is a PC game tech and a computer tech. He'd had the same thing happen with one of his games and recommended that we download some software program that fixes it. So I will be asking for a link to download it in another question.

Thank you everyone who has been giving us the help they have. Thank you JW, too.

Anne

"JW" wrote:

You should be able to get the latest drivers for the Nvidia card/chip for your laptop at the Acer Website. Actually laptops do use cards instead of chips mounted on their MOBOS so they can offer laptops with different chips.

However, the laptop has to be completely taken apart to change the chip/card.

What model Nvidia chip does the laptop have?

You can also check at laptops2go.com for a driver update.

"Frenchy" <invalid@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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> Anne wrote:
>> My hubby has the Acer 6920G laptop and has the problem of the screen
>> freezing and then flickering during game play on it. Acer have said >>
>> this
>> is a gaming machine with an NVidia graphic card but it's a chip.
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>> How do we get driver updates for the NVidia chip? NVidia says chips
>> cannot not be updated!
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>> My hubby is threatening to throw the laptop and all games in the >> bin
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>> please help us.
>>
>> Sincerely
>> Anne
> In Vista, Right click on a clear area of the screen and select
> PERSONALIZE.
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> Click THEME and change to, say WINDOWS CLASSIC
>
> From the Same PERSONALIZE Menu, select WINDOWS COLOR &
> APPEARANCE Take > the
> tick OUT of the ENABLE TRANSPARENCY (if it is ticked) and then
> click > the
> line
> "Open classic appearance properties for more color options"
>
> Select WINDOWS VISTA BASIC (I am assuming the Aero is selected)
>
> Click on EFFECTS on this same screen and take the ticks out of "show
> shadows under menus" and Show windows content when dragging"
>
> CLICK APPLY to get out.
>
> All the above are lowering the background load on your Laptops graphics
> card and will help.
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> One more thing, you should be able to access the NVIDIA Control panel,
> either from the right hand tray icon or from right click menu on > desktop.
> If you can, in there select 3D settings and then select "Adjust image
> settings with preview" Click to select "Let the 3D application > decide".
> Click APPLY at the bottom to get out of there.
>
> What you have not said, is what games hubby is trying to run. Many
> slightly older games require a tweak to run under Vista. After you > have
> tried the above, right click on the game Icon on the screen and select
> PROPERTIES and then select the COMPATIBILITY Tab. Try selecting
> "Run > this
> program in compatibility mode for WinXP2" APPLY and try the game
> from
> double clicking that icon. If that doesn't work go back to the

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- > COMPATIBILITY tab and ALSO select "Run as administrator". If that > doesn't
- > help go back again and take out the run as XP2 and just leave the
- > Administrator. You have to fiddle with these.
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- > Above all, as someone else said, try lowering the quality settings > within
- > the game controls. Lower Anti aliasing to 2 or zero for a start. You
- > should know your Laptop native resolution (Right click desktop, and > then
- > PERSONALIZE and then display settings. Try running the game in the >
- > SAME
- > resolution as your laptop.
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- > Report back, especially with what game(s) are giving problems and I > will
- > post some more ideas
- >
- > Frenchy
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