

# Re: Installing win2000

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I'm guessing serial ATA drive controller?

To do a clean install, either boot the Windows 2000 install CD-Rom or setup disks. The set of four install disks can be created from your Windows 2000 CD-Rom; change to the \bootdisk directory on the CD-Rom and execute makeboot.exe (from dos) or makebt32.exe (from 32 bit) and follow the prompts.

Then \*F6\* very early and very important (at setup is inspecting your system) in the setup to prevent drive controller detection, and select S to specify additional drivers. Then later you'll be prompted to insert the manufacturer supplied Windows 2000 driver for your serial ATA controller in drive "A"

When you get to the point, delete the existing NTFS and or other partitions found. After you delete the partition(s) abort the install, then again restart the pc booting the CD-Rom or setup disks to avoid unexpected drive letter assignments with your new install.

Setup inspects your computer's hardware configuration and then begins to install the Setup and driver files. When the Windows 2000 Professional screen appears, press ENTER to set up Windows 2000 Professional.

Read the license agreement, and then press the F8 key to accept the terms of the license agreement and continue the installation.

When the Windows 2000 Professional Setup screen appears, all the existing partitions and the unpartitioned spaces are listed for each physical hard disk. Use the ARROW keys to select the partitions Press D to delete an existing partition, If you press D to delete an existing partition, you must then press L (or press ENTER, and then press L if it is the System partition) to confirm that you want to delete the partition. Repeat this step for each of the existing partitions When all the partitions are deleted press F3 to exit setup, (to avoid unexpected drive letter assignments with your new install) then restart the pc then when you get to this point in setup again select the unpartitioned space, and then press C to create a new partition and specify the size (if required). Windows will by default use all available space.

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Be sure to apply these to your new install before connecting to any network.

[http://download.microsoft.com/download/E/6/A/E6A04295-D2A8-40D0-A0C5-241BFECDD095E/W2KSP4\\_EN.EX](http://download.microsoft.com/download/E/6/A/E6A04295-D2A8-40D0-A0C5-241BFECDD095E/W2KSP4_EN.EX)

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/bulletin/MS03-043.msp>

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/bulletin/MS03-049.msp>

Then

Rollup 1 for Microsoft Windows 2000 Service Pack 4

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?amp;displaylang=en&familyid=B54730CF-8850-4531-B52B-BF>

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Regards,

Dave Patrick ....Please no email replies – reply in newsgroup.

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"robl" wrote:

| Hi

| I'm trying to install win2000 on a pc which had some other windows  
| version on the hard disk previously (so all the cabling, jumpers, cmos  
| should be setup correctly for that hard disk) but when it boots up off  
| the cd, I get the following message "Couldn't open the boot partition  
| to check for a signature. SETUPLDR: couldn't open drive  
| multi(0)disk(0)rdisk(0)partition(1)". I have tried different hard disks  
| and get the same error message. I have tried a different win2000 cd  
| (same error) and a winNT cd (very similar message). I looked through  
| the CMOS and couldn't see an option for "protecting the boot sector  
| against viruses". All suggestions will be greatly appreciated.

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| Thanks a mil.

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