

Re: Winnt\sys32\config\systemCED Error

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Hi John:

I apologize for the misinformation, as she has a Windows 2000 Pro Edition Operating System CD and not a Recovery CD. Sorry about this.

I have read your referenced <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/197063> article on how to create a set of setup disks, but must admit I am not at all sure of the procedure even after reading it. It never mentions when or how to insert the blank floppy etc in making these disks.

I have a Sony desktop Windows MCE computer so could you please explain in detail somewhat how I would go about creating these disks from her Win2000 CD using my Sony and also accessing the Recovery Console. A step by step explanation would be most helpful.

I really appreciate your effort in this matter.

ColTom2

"John John" <audetweld@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:OwW6aaY7GHA.2384@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
She will have to make the disks with another computer, also with recovery disk that she has there is no saying what is or is not on there so I can't say if she can make a set of startup diskettes or start the Recovery Console with it. <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/197063> Maybe the recovery disk can boot the Recovery Console, or she could just borrow a Windows 2000 cd for the repairs.

"Mount the disk", put it in another computer as a second (data) disk and do the instruction in KB269075 from the working Windows installation instead of the Recovery Console. If her Windows 2000 is on a FAT32 partition she can do it from a Windows 9x computer, if her Windows 2000 is on an NTFS partition she will have to mount it in a Windows 2000/XP machine because Windows 9x cannot read NTFS. An NT4 computer can also do it providing that it has later service pack to read newer Windows 2000 NTFS version. In a case like that the working Windows is like a "Super" Recovery Console with all the bells and whistles. Another way to do the repairs is via a parallel installation on her computer, a Windows installation on another partition or disk.

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I should mention that the outcome of the repair depends greatly on how old the registry hive that she will be using (to replace the corrupt one) is. If she never or rarely made Emergency Repair Disks the hives may be so old that the outcome might be completely unsatisfactory, but she will be able to at least salvage her data files. One thing about working from a parallel installation is that you can see the damaged hive and see how big it is. If the problem is one of size you can try to reduce the size instead of switching it for an old hive.

John

ColTom2 wrote:

> *Hi John:*

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> * All she has is a Recovery CD so how would she ever make a set of

> Startup Diskettes when the computer will not boot? Also I do not follow

> your last comments about mounting her disk in another Win2000/XP computer?*

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> *Thanks*

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> "John John" <audetweld@xxxxxxxxxxxxx <<mailto:audetweld@xxxxxxxxxxxxx>>>

> wrote in message <news:%23NkV6aX7GHA.4996@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

> Error Message: Windows Could Not Start Because the Following File Is

> Missing or Corrupt: \Winnt\System32\Config\Systemced

> <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/269075/EN-US/>

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> You will have to borrow a Windows 2000 CD or make a set of Startup

> Diskettes to use the Recovery Console. Or you can mount her disk in

> another Windows 2000/XP machine to do the repair.

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> John

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> ColTom2 wrote:

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>> *Hi:*

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>> * I have a friend who has a Dell 4300 running Windows 2000 Pro and

>> cannot get her computer to boot. She has even tried reformatting,

> but

>> now gets this Winnt\sys32\config\systemCED error and will not go

>> further. The entire system is locked up at this point.*

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>> * Sorry to say she does not have a bootable floppy or CD disk.*

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>> * Any help and/or recommendations will greatly be appreciated.*

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>> *Thanks,*

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>> *ColTom2*