

Re: Can W2K Be Installed on SATA Drives?

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Well, I got the drivers on the floppy for a 32-bit system. As I looked at the dialog to do this, it talked to SCSI. I'm surprised that SCSI even appeared. SATA is SCSI? Anyway, I proceeded to install w2k, and got the setup to read the floppy. After it made it through setup, I got to a window about partitioning C: and D:. I had reported about this very same window in another part of the thread. Again it showed that it was going to partition C to 76G NTFS and D to 1/4 FAT.

On that I called ASUS. The tech guy said to proceed and then install SP4. I asked if this was going to allow me to access all 320G of the WD HD. He wasn't sure. He then went onto mention that even with XP the same thing could happen, but using XP (usually??) solved the problem. I find that rather a startling statement. I think he did say usually. I then got off on how their manual barely talks to any of this. He said one of the supplied CDs talks about RAID installations. Well, it's certainly not on the EVEA CD supplied. Ah, here it is buried in the driver CD, 110 pages. Let's skip to the next paragraph.

My question now is if I get (from another PC hooked to the internet) the security downloads and the roll up mentioned below, am I going to see all 320G.

W. Watson wrote:

Well, I'm off like a herd of turtles. Your description is closest to what ASUS recommends. I called 10 minutes before they closed, so got a hurry up briefing on how to do this.

1. Fire up the PC
2. Place their driver CD in the drive
3. Wait for the initial ASUS screen to appear, and finally a prompt to boot from the CD. Press a key to start the boot. (Of course, you need to set BIOS to know to start the boot from a CD before trying a HD or other device.
4. Wait for a prompt to choose 32-bit, 64-bit or DOS prompt
5. I selected 32-bit. Wait for a prompt for a floppy
6. Place a 3.5" (fresh) floppy disk in drive-A. Wait for 8 files to be copied to the CD

I've done all the above. I have not verified the following, but from what I could get in the short conversation, this is it.

1. Insert the W2K CD
2. Press the boot button
3. Hit F6 soon
4. A prompt for the floppy appears
5. Put it in if you took it out

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6. Continue letting the system get what it needs
7. Press F8 to continue the install

That's about it. I'll call them in the morning to see if this plays well with them.

The woman who helped me seemed to know her stuff. I had contacted them 3 times earlier on some problems related to their driver CD and the floppy. She was the best of the lot. She got into some issues about qualified vendors, and memory. Her points about memory caused some discussion. Interesting, but I'll have to revisit them tomorrow. We got off briefly on red/black SARA ports and what RAID really meant. Even though I have a single WD 320G drive, she recommended going with RAID. A second drive can be added later, if needed or useful. We got a lot in in 10 minutes. Maybe it was 15 minutes!

Almost all the four people I talked to claimed the manual had instructions on how to install w2k. Not so. I looked at them, and they are nowhere as detailed as the above. In fact, the s/w window panels they show don't seem to exist. I'll revisit that another day.

Dave Patrick wrote:

If your drive controller is not natively supported (which it wouldn't be) then you'll want to boot the Windows 2000 install CD-Rom. 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 drive controller in drive "A"

Be sure to apply SP4 and these two below to your new install before connecting to any network. Internet included. (sasser, msblast)

<http://download.microsoft.com/download/E/6/A/E6A04295-D2A8-40D0-A0C5-241BFECD095E/W>

<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->

Then

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/305098>

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