

## Re: Can not format

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<http://www.tech-archive.net/Archive/WinXP/microsoft.public.windowsxp.basics/2005-11/msg00130.html>

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- *From:* "PC398" <jim@xxxxxxxxxxx>
  - *Date:* Thu, 3 Nov 2005 08:42:46 -0500
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Hi, yes I have been into BIOS and set to boot first from CD Rom, when I  
> do that, I get a black screen telling me to click any key to boot, I do  
> that, but it just opens up into Windows normally. I do not get any error  
> messages. The only error messages are as I said, when I try to install the  
> CD, so that I would be able to go to a partion map and delete, create and  
> format, thats when I get about later version on system

"Malke" <notreally@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message

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> PC398 wrote:

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>> Need help please. Running Windows XP Pro, I want to format my Hard  
>> drive, I try to boot from my CD, will not boot. So go to install, get  
>> message, can not install you have a later version on your system than  
>> on the disc. This must be because I have kept the updates current from  
>> when XP was first  
>> installed. Is there anyway I can format? Thanks for any suggestions

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> You are apparently trying to do a Repair Install from within Windows  
> with an earlier version of the operating system. You would need to use  
> a slipstreamed CD instead. This will not format your drive, however.

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> How to slipstream sp2 into XP

> <http://www.msfn.org/articles.php?action=show&showarticle=49>

> <http://www.windows-help.net/windowsxp/winxp-sp2-bootcd.html>

> [http://www.theeldergeek.com/slipstreamed\\_xpsp2\\_cd.htm](http://www.theeldergeek.com/slipstreamed_xpsp2_cd.htm)

> <http://www.webtree.ca/windowsxp/slipstream.htm>

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> However, what does "try to boot from my CD, will not boot" actually  
> mean? Are you sure you have your computer set to boot from the CD  
> drive? The boot order is set in the BIOS. Perhaps addressing why you  
> cannot boot from your original CD would be better. If you want help  
> with that, please post back with a better description of your computer  
> and what you are doing. Include the exact text of any error messages.

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> Malke

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> Elephant Boy Computers

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- > www.elephantboycomputers.com
- > "Don't Panic!"
- > MS-MVP Windows – Shell/User

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- *References:*

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