

## Re: Dual Boot Possibility

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Hi, Scott.

See the message to you that I just posted in the m.p.windows.file\_system NG.

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"Scott" <Scott@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message  
news:3A6C439E-B4E4-4F54-BFDB-65107908A6C7@microsoft.com...

> Dear Barry,

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> I also intended to do what you have done, but encountered a problem.

> I have partitioned my HDD with XP and formatted in FAT32, with each

> partition size 3.2GB. Last time when I try to install Win98, it can

> install

> successfully but cannot perform first startup (hanged at the startup

> screen).

> I just wonder if I need to partition my HDD with Win98? Or should the

> partition size be reduced?

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> Scott

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> "Barry Watzman" wrote:

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>> BS.

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>> I still set up most of my systems dual boot, 98SE on C:, XP on D: and

>> all data for both operating systems on E:.

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>> And it works just wonderfully with the default Microsoft setup (install

>> 98 first, then XP). Some of the systems have the recovery console

>> installed on the hard drive, which is effectively a 3rd OS, still with

>> the MS basic multi-boot software.

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>> For more than 2 OS', it's better to use a boot manager, but for 2 OS',

>> and certainly 2 MS OS', the standard MS software works fine.

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>> Rick "Nutcase" Rogers wrote:

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>> > Hi,  
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>> > It's not a matter of trouble setting up, it can be if done properly,  
>> > and it  
>> > can be maintained infinitely. It's a matter of configurability and ease  
>> > of  
>> > use, and Windows is notorious for liking to think it's the only  
>> > operating  
>> > system on the drive. If someone is going to multiboot several systems  
>> > as a  
>> > regular thing, then a boot manager is the way to go. Using the native  
>> > Win  
>> > functions is fine as a temporary thing, or for the classic dual-boot  
>> > (and  
>> > most of the time people discover that they primarily only use one  
>> > anyways,  
>> > they just had a hard time letting go of an older operating system).  
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