

Re: XP Won't Make EMS

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As Chris suggested, look for one of my posts that has this information... :-)

When a game is a DOS game, it could work using compatibility mode:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=292533> or by using the Multiboot bootdisk from: <http://members.ozemail.com.au/~lpcd/downloads.html> and always check at fileplanet.com to see if there's a patch available.

With DOSBOX you can emulate a DOS computer on your XP desktop:

<http://dosbox.sourceforge.net/information.php> Or try MS Virtual PC: <http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/virtualpc/downloads/trial.asp> which allows you to install DOS or to run any operating system inside XP.

If you prefer to explore other advanced methods, here are two excellent tutorials I've found on the subject: <http://www.dosgames.com/xphints.php> and <http://home.earthlink.net/~angeldancer27/XpGameList.htm> For sound issues use: <http://www.ece.mcgill.ca/~vromas/vdmsound> Good Luck! :-)

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Cheers,
Jimmy S. Windows XP MVP Shell / User
<http://mvp.support.microsoft.com>
Game FAQs: [http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=FH;\[LN\];gms](http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=FH;[LN];gms)
Visit my Zone.com / Gaming Helpsite: <http://nibblesnbits.tk> or Call / Contact
MS Support at: <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=sz/en-us/top>
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"Chris H." <winxpnews@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:%23nHFwkrCEHA.2824@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl.
| Mike, you may want to check some of Jimmy's previous posts on DOS in this
| newsgroup by doing a Search. However, the EMS/XMS settings need to be set
| in the game's Program Information File (PIF). If you do a search in Help
| and Support, you'll find information how to edit the PIF to allow for
| EMS/XMS settings.

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| Chris H.
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| "Mike Donehoo" <mdonehoo@mindspring.com> wrote in message
| news:D44487C1-4945-4FC3-B374-BD141C7401AF@microsoft.com...
| > I've been trying to run on XP Pro an old DOS game that requires EMS. I
| > know about the memory settings under Properties, but no matter how I set
| > them, the game and MEM both report no EMS. I have a W2K Pro machine at

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| > work, and I can get EMS on it, but the same settings don't work on this XP  
| > box.  
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| > I've used DOSBox and Virtual PC; I know all about them, so please no  
| > suggestions to use either of them. I just want to know why this machine  
| > won't make EMS.  
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| > Thanks.  
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