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BP wrote:

>Is there a way to download but not install a critical update? I'd like to
>create my own update CD to use when and if I clean install in the future.
>The MS update CD only goes to Oct '03 so it is barely a help

Two ways. You can go to Windows Update and on the left take 'Windows Update Catalog' (you may need to check it in 'personalise update' first). Then go to Updates for Operating systems, select Windows XP SP1 (get SP1 separately, see below) and you get to a panel where you can put critical updates in a download basket to download and save.

Or when you get an update in the ordinary way, clear Temporary Internet files first (for convenience) and when it comes to the point of install, copy the downloaded .exe file out of there. That is the way for 'non-critical' ones

For SP1 either go to

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/pro/downloads/servicepacks/sp1/sp1lang.asp>

and get the complete 130 MB 'Network' download, or go to

<http://www.microsoft.com/security/protect/default.asp>

and order that on CD for free – you will have a delay for delivery, but it includes all security updates to February, as well, I'm told, as SP1

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