

Replacing the cpu

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Tom -

The simple answer is that NO, there are many varieties of Pentium 4 and unfortunately they are NOT interchangeable. If you put in the wrong one, and it may well fit in your socket, it can a) fail to work or b) damage the CPU or c) damage your mobo. Unless you are 100% confident that you have all of the correct info - you should really take this to a pro to do it. Better yet, take your computer to a pro and let them figure out what's wrong. Don't make an expensive mistake to avoid a relatively inexpensive service call.

Tashtego

>-----Original Message-----

>*The cpu seems to be causing my intermittent lockups - at least it's the next*

>*piece of hardware to replace according to Lance. When shopping for a new*

>*one, I discovered that they weren't returnable (at Microcenter anyway), just*

>*replaceable. And I became concerned that perhaps a 2.8 P IV wouldn't be*

>*compatible with my pc. I have a Gateway Performance 1500 with a 1.5 Pentium*

>*P IV. So: 1) are there cpu's out there that are returnable in case this*

>*doesn't fix my problem and 2) are all P IVs interchangeable, that is, will a*

>*2.8 fit my mobo?*

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