

Re: "downgrading" from Windows 2000 Professional before upgrading to Windows XP Home

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Your temp suggestion seems much more likely. is it possible to tell if the fan is on? Or monitor the CPU temp? I'd try and check tat out first rather than spend ?\$150 unnecessarily.

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Remove my socks for email address

"bullbob" <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:982DAC27-B24A-4767-90CC-311512E0F7C2@microsoft.com...

> Thanks for your help. I appreciate it. However, the "help" generated a couple of additional questions. 1: What started all this was a problem with bootup and freezes in Windows 2000 Pro. I didn't have it when I first got the machine. I added a couple of programs (AdSubtract, Spybot; and critical upgrades) Now, the bootup is OK on the first try of the day. Then, after a period of time, the machine freezes. Even if I have left it just "idling". I shut it down, then, when I try to REboot, it won't until I let it sit for a while (10-15 minutes or more). The chances of successfully rebooting seem to be greater the longer I wait to try it! (Something related to temperature?)

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> This kept happening. I asked around a bit for advice. The most common suggestion was to upgrade to Windows XP. (For what it's worth, I have XP Home on my Dell desktop. Both it and the laptop are on a wireless network.) Is there any reason to prefer staying with Windows 2000 Pro rather than just moving to Windows XP Home? (BTW, most of what I do is simple word-processing, spreadsheets and internet.)

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> Thanks again to all.

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> ----- Tumbleweed wrote: -----

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> OK so just so as I understand that, you can use an XP home CD to wipe out

> Win2k, you just cant use it to do an upgrade install?

> So the OP had better make sure he has all the reinstall data needed for any

> apps on the WIn2k system, plus backups of any data?

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> Will the install let you create new partitions deleting existing? For example, say you had a 40Gb disk partioned 20/20, you could tell it

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to
> create a 10Gb C and a 30GB D, wiping everything that was there? Or
wipe the
> C 20, but keep the D?
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> Remove my socks for email address
> "Mike Kolitz" <mikekol@idontlikespam.mvps.org> wrote in message
> news:uXz%23KO9REHA.3052@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl...
> > You're correct - you can't upgrade from Windows 2000 Pro to XP
Home, since
> > it's actually a downgrade, but you can use a Windows 2000 Pro CD as
> > qualifying media to perform a clean install with XP Home upgrade
media.
> >> Also, there's no need to use a boot disk or partition magic to
remove your
> > partition (in fact, I typically recommend against using third-party
disk
> > management utilities). Windows XP Setup will allow you to
manipulate
> > partitions before the installation process begins.
> >> --
> > Mike Kolitz MCSE 2000
> > MS-MVP - Windows Setup / Deployment
> >>> "Tumbleweed" <tumbleweednews@mysockshotmail.com> wrote in message
> > news:40bc41b2$0$2279$afcf38c87@news.easynet.co.uk...
> >> ISTR reading here that you cant install XP Home over 2000 you can
only
> >> install XP Pro.
> >>> If thats correct, then better to delete the partition using
something
> like
> >> a
> >> boot disk made with bootitng or partition magic and then do a
clean
> >> install
> >> of XP Home (I'm assuming the OP has a copy of XP Home already)
> >> If he doesnt, he could pay the extra $ and get XP Pro, personally
for
> the
> >> same money I'd rather have XP Home and partition magic.
> >>> --
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> >>> Remove my socks for email address
> >> "Mike Kolitz" <mikekol@idontlikespam.mvps.org> wrote in message
> >> news:uNdzY$4REHA.3016@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...
> >>> Well, you could, but either way you'd end up doing a clean
install of
> >>> some
> >>> sort of Windows.
> >>>> Your best bet is to do a clean install of Windows XP Home
using the
> >> upgrade
> >>> CD that you have. During the installation process, you'll be
asked to
> >>> provide "proof of license". When asked, insert your Windows 2000
or
> >> Windows
> >>> 98 CD (not all OEM CDs work - make sure you have a CD that you
can do a
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