

## Re: NTFS and FAT32

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fat32 disks crash alot more and data is lost.  
NTFS is alot more stable!

Use NTFS without a second thought.  
Its a newer and better disk format!

fat32 also has a 4gb limit, meaning you cant have one file bigger than 4 gb.  
If you ever want to make a dvd that will be a problem.

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Hope this helps. Let us know.

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> >>> compatible with older versions of Windows?  
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> > <http://www.aumha.org/win5/a/ntfs.htm>  
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> Thanks for the link. Not a bad page. The parts that interested me  
> were the comment that Windows XP won't format a FAT partition  
> larger than 32 gigs -- I assume the author meant a FAT32  
> partition. The other interesting point is that a DOS boot floppy  
> won't run on NTFS. No DOS rescues if you format in NTFS. Seems to  
> me FAT32 might be a safer way to go, provided large hard drives  
> can be formatted as single partitions -- which doesn't seem to be  
> a problem in Windows98.

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