

Re: Hard Drive failure on bootup

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But isn't there any equivalent to the old way of booting from a floppy, running FDISK, formatting the drive, then installing Windows???

Thanks, Malke.

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

>George wrote:

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>> Hi,

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>> I have a message posted on July 7th at 9 pm looking for a

>> way to use SCANDISK or CHKDSK on a laptop hard drive with

>> a bad spot or two ... in the bootup area of Windows XP

>> Home Edition. Since my system won't boot from the hard

>> drive or from a CD (neither from the Thinkpad Recovery CD

>> nor from the Windows XP CD), I think I need to move to

>> the next level and consider using a floppy to run FDISK

>> and then reformat my hard drive. (The system IS backed up ... yay.)

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>> Since there's no FDISK on my XP Pro desktop (from which I

>> created a StartUp disk), is my only option using a

>> Windows 98 version of FDISK and FORMAT?

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>Frankly, if your system won't boot from the hard drive or the cd drive,

>something is seriously wrong with the hardware, probably the

>motherboard. Contact IBM Tech Support for help.

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>Malke

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