

## RE: install of service pack 2

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If you can't boot into safe mode, try the following article

How to use the Automatic Recovery feature to recover your computer if the Windows XP Service Pack 2 Setup program is not completed successfully

[http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;\[LN\];875355](http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;[LN];875355)

Good Luck!

"RayBccul—" wrote:

- > *Lucky you. I ran into this too. Here's the list of things to try.*
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- > *1. Try booting in safe mode. If you're successful, then uninstall SP2 from*
- > *Add/Remove programs or using the instructions in the MSKB article at*
- > *<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us:875355&Product=winxp>.*
- > *If you are successful, you will be able to boot Windows normally in it's*
- > *pre-SP2 state.*
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- > *Take a look at the pre-SP2 checklist at*
- > *<http://www3.telus.net/dandemar/spackins.htm> before you try again. Especially*
- > *look for Malware/Spyware and virus'.*
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- > *2. Try booting to the XP CD and running a repair of your Windows XP*
- > *installation. Hopefully this will recover you to a state where you can use*
- > *the recommendations above to successfully install SP2*
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- > *3. Now it gets ugly. If the above fails and you don't have a full backup of*
- > *your system, Boot from the XP CD again and run setup. Chose the option for a*
- > *new installation of XP and delete your current installation and reinstall to*
- > *the same directory. Then reinstall everything else. Then vow to never forget*
- > *to make a backup before installing a @\$% SP again...*
- >
- > *Good Luck.*
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- > *"sms9366" wrote:*
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- >> *I installed service pack 2. When it asked me to reboot the system I did, now*

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> > *it constantly keeps rebooting. Why and what can I do.*