

Re: Another Registry c0000218 hive file failure

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Serious Error:

Use one of these three options.

Right Click the My Computer Icon/Properties/Advanced/
Performance/Settings/Advanced/Change.

1. Set Page File to 0, ok your way out and reboot. Then follow the same procedure and reset the Page File to System Managed File.
2. No Page File. Reboot. Then delete C:\Pagefile.Sys then revert the page file setting.
3. Set the swap file size to zero, reboot. Re-set to System Managed, reboot. Reset the Custom setting, reboot.

You Receive a "System Has Recovered from a Serious Error" Message After Every Restart

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;q317277>

Windows XP Problems if Your Profile Is Damaged

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;Q326688>

As per the latter:

Error Message: Windows Cannot Load Your Profile Because It May Be Corrupted

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;Q318011>

Create a New User or Restore the User Profile

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;Q318011>

Suggestions:

Right click My Computer, Properties, Hardware, Device Manager. Locate the entries for your hard disks and double click each entry. On the Policies tab, uncheck Enable write caching.

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You will see a performance decrease because of this, but if the corrupt registry/user profiles problems cease, then you'll be certain of the cause.

Logon to another account with admin privilege and run System Restore. Choose the most recent restore point and SR should restore the user hives.

Or...

Boot into safe mode and log in as Administrator. Copy ntuser.dat from %windir%\repair to "Documents and Settings\[your user id]". Now do a system restore to a point in time prior to when the corruption message began to appear.

Or...

Relocate NTUserdat

Look in HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\ProfileList and find the profile you want to change and then change ProfileImagePath to the ntuser.dat folder that you want to use. You must manually copy or move the ntuser.dat file there.

Corrupt Hive

http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp_sys32.htm

How to Recover from a Corrupted Registry

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb:en-us:Q307545>

Recovering XP using the Recover Console (Line 333) Right hand side:

http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp_tweaks.htm

Recovery Console Fix for XP SP1 (Line 58)

http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp_tweaks.htm

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All the Best,
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Troubleshooting Windows XP

<http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com>

"pcm" <pcm@discuss.microsoft.com> wrote in message
news:8328F632-33C2-475D-8259-FA3280DE9202@microsoft.com...

> Two day old PC and just getting setup. After registry failed, I cycled
> power
> and got a serious error message after Win XP Home rebooted but am online.
> Now what should I expect? Is registry repaired or should I go through the
> recovery procedures? Does this error happen often? Could it be a drive
> problem; should I have hard drive checked?
> xemot" wrote:
> I got the same screen today (see below) and couldn't recover from
> rebooting
> so I unplugged PC. Then windows booted and prompted something like a
> serious
> error. Now what can I expect? Did the PC self-correct or should I go

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> through the registry recovery procedures? How often is this a drive
> problem?
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> "STOP: c0000218 {Registry File Failure}
> The registry cannot load the hive (file)
> \SystemRoot\System32\config\software
> or its log or alternate"
> It is corrupt, absent or not writable
> Beginning dump of physical memory
> Physical memory dump complete.
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> --
> pcm
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