

## Re: Activation question

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"John" <John@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote

: so, in getting a new motherboard, along with the rest of the upgraded  
: hardware, does the 'newness' void or allow the reinstall? --i am using a  
: store bought retail version of xp.

You will have no problem other than maybe having to make a five minute phone  
call. If it's been over 120 days since you activated, you won't even have to  
do that; just activate it like you did the first time.

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Alias

Use the Reply to Sender feature of your news reader program to email me.  
Utiliza Responder al Remitente para mandarme un mail.

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: "Richard Urban" wrote:

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: > If you installed XP Home from a retail CD you have no problems.

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: > If XP Home came with a store bought computer it is an OEM version and  
can

: > legally be used on only the original setup.

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: > A new M/B constitutes a new computer.

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: > Regards,

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: > Richard Urban

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: > aka Crusty (-: Old B@stard :-)

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: > If you knew as much as you thought you know,

: > You would realize that you don't know what you thought you knew!

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: > "John" <John@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message

: > news:256E69C0-6669-4DDD-BFD6-DDD10581360C@microsoft.com...

: > >I am currently using Windows XP Home. It is activated and working fine.

I

: > >am

: > > however, planning on upgrading my motherboard, harddrive and cpu. If I

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: > > either  
: > > transfer my data to this new drive while erasing the other, or, erase  
the  
: > > other and install XP fresh on the new drive, with this new hardware,  
will  
: > > I  
: > > still be able/have to re-activate it, or need to buy an additional new  
: > > version of XP? What options do I have regarding this? Buying another  
XP or  
: > > license, seems kinda dumb and redundant, as, in the end, I will have  
XP on  
: > > only one machine.  
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: > > Thanks,  
: > > John  
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