

## Re: Invisible DVD Drive

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- *From:* Twanny <Evenstar@xxxxxxxxxxxx>
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I did Dave: in fact I assigned Drive Letters K and L, but to no avail. It might be important to note that the new partition H: I had previously created for the Page file was made by the Acronis CD which installs itself before Boot Up. I do not understand with goes on "behind the scenes" but this might have the cause. In fact when I deleted the said partition (H:), the "invisible" DVD Drive was restored in Win Exp.

P.S. I had thought that Drive letters are to be contiguous. Is this not the case then?

Twanny  
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"Lil' Dave" wrote:

- > You might find it convenient, if you mess with partitions and drives alot,
- > to designate drive letters further down the alphabet for the DVD drives.
- > Give yourself plenty of room, S: and T: for instance.
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- > "Twanny" <Evenstar@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
- > [news:D67065B0-9ABA-417F-A629-203C0B5F20AE@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:D67065B0-9ABA-417F-A629-203C0B5F20AE@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
- >> Yes Steve: then I called up Computer Management and from Disk Management
- >> changed the Drive letter to H: which was accepted. Then ofcourse I had to
- >> change the drive letter for the last of my two DVD Drives, which was also
- >> accepted and shown correctly here. It is only in Windows Explorer that it
- >> (J:\DVD-Drive) is not visible. The Drive works well as I said, and
- > inserting
- >> a DVD media automatically plays it too.
- >>
- >> Twanny
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- >> "Steve Rollins" wrote:
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- >>> Twanny,
- >>>
- >>> When you created the "small partition" was this by any chance assigned
- > the
- >>> letter J:?
- >>>

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>>> If it was try the following:  
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>>> Right Click My Computer  
>>> Click Manage  
>>> Click Disk Management  
>>>  
>>> You should be able to see the your DVD drive listed with a drive letter  
>>> assigned. If the new partiton you created was assigned J:, right click  
> the  
>>> DVD drive and click change drive letters and paths and choose a  
> different  
>>> drive letter.  
>>>  
>>> Steve  
>>>  
>>> "Twanny" wrote:  
>>>  
>>>> The icon for my DVD Drive (J:) does not appear in Windows Explorer.  
>>>> This happened after I created a small partition on my Secondary HDD  
> for the  
>>>> PageFile.  
>>>> It works normally but I have to manually enter the path in the address  
> bar.  
>>>> It then appears in WinEx, but is lost again when closed.  
>>>> The BIOS boot up session show both DVD drives.  
>>>> Any suggestions to put this right?  
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>>>> System:  
>>>> Intel Pentium IIIE, 650 MHz  
>>>> Microsoft Windows XP Professional SP2  
>>>> MBO: VIA VT82C693A Apollo Pro133  
>>>> RAM 448 MB (SDRAM)  
>>>> Disk Drive WDC WD800BB (74 GB, IDE)  
>>>> Disk Drive SAMSUNG SV2044D (18 GB, 5400 RPM, Ultra-ATA/66)  
>>>> Optical Drive PIONEER DVD-RW DVR-107D  
>>>> Optical Drive SONY DVD-ROM DDU1621  
>>>> BIOS Award Software International, Inc.  
>>>> DMI Version 4.51 PG  
>>>> Video RADEON 7000 SERIES(64 MB)  
>>>> Audio Creative SB Live! Sound Card  
>>>> USB1 Controller VIA VT83C572 PCI-USB  
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>>>> Rgds  
>>>> "Twanny"  
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