

Re: Xp Home to XP Pro Question?

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I had a feeling that there would be a reason similar to what you have said...

OK.. go to <http://www.michaelstevestech.com> and look at the section on repair installs.. there are warnings on the page to make you aware that nothing is ever foolproof, and Michael is right to warn users.. however, there are some days when nothing goes wrong, and all being well, the 'repair' will go well..

I have a feeling that if you take the 'upgrade' route, then the XP Home will be inextricably tied to XP Pro.. no doubt somebody will correct me if I am wrong in thinking this.. personally, I don't see how it could be, but I have heard otherwise..

As long as XP Home has not been activated within 120 days, there should be no problem re-installing and activating on another computer, other than normal problems like the dreaded BSOD, CD not reading correctly, CRC errors etc..

Just kidding really.. think positive and all will be well

Good luck..

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""old" devildog" <teyoungATmchsiDOTcom> wrote in message

news:eccVsKcoFHA.632@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

>I am not sure that Pro is what my 70+ years young parents need when I
> rebuild and upgrade their 3 year old HP this fall. I am not even sure
> that

> XP Home will be easy for them to learn. It took a year to get them up to
> speed on Win'98 SE. Besides I would like the Pro on my machine. I am
> planning on building another computer for my three sons and placing Pro on
> it so that I can do a wired network here in the house. Pro is the best
> for

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> networking through my cable router, and it allows me to be the Admin. on
> both machines and set policies to protect both machines from the crap that
> is picked up on the net (teenagers on the net can be a big problem to
> security).
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> "Mike Hall (MS-MVP)" <mike.hall.mail@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
> news:OA8o7AcoFHA.2916@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
> | Why not save yourself time, and install Pro on the other machine?..
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> | --
> | Mike Hall
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> | ""old" devildog" <teyoungATmchsiDOTcom> wrote in message
> | news:euJDtzboFHA.3552@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
> | >A Question to the MVP's
> | >
> | > I have a legally purchased XP Home w/SP2 full retail running right now
> | (it
> | > has passed WGA). I won't bother you with all the details of why, but
> | MS
> | > has
> | > just shipped to me a full retail XP Pro w/SP2 at no charge. The
> | original
> | > XP
> | > Home SP1 OEM that came on the computer was wiped out along with the
> | > crapware
> | > Gateway included with a reformat and clean install of the Home SP2 six
> | > months ago. Should I just backup to my D: drive and do a clean install
> | of
> | > Pro or do a back up and do a repair install over the XP Home? Of
> | course
> | > using the new Product Key on the XP Pro folder. I know that SP2 has to
> | be
> | > present on the repair CD to match what is already present on the
> | computer.
> | > Since both the XP Home and XP Pro boxes are SP2 this shouldn't be a
> | > problem,
> | > right?
> | >
> | > I know a clean install will require me to reinstall of all of my
> | software
> | > again (I would hate doing all of the software upgrades that will have
> | to
> | > be
> | > preformed to most of my software). Will a repair install with XP Pro
> | CD
> | be
> | > the easiest way of doing it? Or is that not an option?

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> |>
> |> Also with the XP Home no longer being used will I be able to use the
> XP
> |> Home
> |> on another computer. Remember the XP Home was a full retail purchase
> and
> |> not
> |> an upgrade. Will the XP Home Key be tied to the XP Pro if I just do a
> |> repair
> |> install and not be usable on another computer?
> |>
> |> I do have a use for the XP Home if it is legal to do so. And before I
> am
> |> asked, no I will not be placing for sale either version of XP.
> |>
> |> "old" devildog
> |> _____
> |> Murphy's love laws
> |>
> |> Sex is hereditary. If your parents never had it, chances are you won't
> |> either.
> |> It was not the apple on the tree but the pair on the ground that
> caused
> |> the
> |> trouble in the garden.
> |> If the effort that went in research on the female bosom had gone into
> our
> |> space program, we would now be running hot-dog stands on the moon,
> |> watching
> |> Mars play the Yankees in the play offs this fall and the Cubs would
> have
> |> someone else to loose to.
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◆ **Re: Xp Home to XP Pro Question?**

◇ *From:* Ron Martell

◆ **Re: Xp Home to XP Pro Question?**

◇ *From:* \"old\" devildog

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