

## Re: Can't get SP2 to work on my computer after reinstalling XP Hom

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exiled1 wrote:

- > This is sort of an extension of my previous post, although
- > unrelated sort of. I tried to upgrade to XP Pro—it didn't take so
- > I ended up throwing XP Home back on for the second time.
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- > After hours of Microsoft updating and restarts, I finally tried
- > the Sp2 update. Upon reboot, it went to some screen which I
- > forget what it stated at the moment, but I ended up having to do
- > a system restore and basically uninstall SP2. The only thing is
- > that it really didn't take it off and a screen popped up telling
- > me to remove through the add/remove programs screen. I did this
- > and then my mouse didn't work for some reason. Since I only had
- > XP home on at the time I just reinstalled XP Home and did the
- > five million updates again. All except the SP2—which I need for
- > my Ipod Nano software.
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- > This happened to me a few months ago when I first tried upgrading
- > to XP Pro—at that time the disc was damaged and couldn't copy
- > files. It took this long to get my replacement Pro cd—which still
- > doesn't work for me...see other post..
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- > At that time I had problems getting SP2 to work so I left it off.
- > I had the Ipod software installed but computer wouldn't recognize
- > ipod—all I could do was charge it, no changing of songs or
- > anything. One day when I hooked up Ipod for charging, I noticed
- > that it showed up in the Itunes program. I then went and installed
- > Sp2 again, and this time it worked.
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- > I must be missing something in order for it to work, but I have
- > installed every other update from Microsoft update. I do not know
- > why it worked after so much time or what I was doing just prior to
- > SP2 and the Ipod software finally working.
- > If anyone else has run across this problem, please let me know.

Shenan Stanley wrote:

- > Integrate (slipstream) SP2 into your installation CD and have it
- > installed "from the start" and see what happens.

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exiled1 wrote:

> I have read something about that, but I really have no idea on how  
> to go about doing that---Thanks

How to search using Google:

<http://www.google.com/>  
(How-to: <http://www.google.com/intl/en/help/basics.html> )

Rather than give you just a little information – I will tell you how to get the updates, how to integrate them into your own CD, etc.. That way you are better informed about your options when it comes to the Windows Updates.

Direct Download of Service Pack 2 (SP2) for Windows XP

<http://snipurl.com/8bqy>

What to Know Before You Download and Install Windows XP Service Pack 2

[http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/sp2/sp2\\_whattoknow.msp](http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/sp2/sp2_whattoknow.msp)

You can download all updates and burn them to CD..

You can download each update manually – based off the KB Article number, etc. That way you can back it up/burn a CD of them in case you need them or use them to keep a slipstream/integrated (updated) Windows XP CD.

How to use the Windows Update Catalog

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/323166>  
(In order to use the Windows Update Catalog, you must use IE to get the patches..)

Windows Update Catalog

<http://v4.windowsupdate.microsoft.com/catalog/en/default.asp>  
(In order to use the Windows Update Catalog, you must use IE to get the patches..)

Creating an Integrated Installation

<http://snipurl.com/e143>

Integrate software updates into your Windows installation source files

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/828930>

Really customize your CD..

<http://unattended.msfm.org/>

Produce an up-to-date XP Distribution CD

<http://xpcreate.com/>

AutoPatcher

<http://www.autopatcher.com/>

AutoStreamer

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<http://www.neowin.net/forum/index.php?showtopic=223562>

You can see the critical (security and other) patches released for a given month using the following:

[http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/bulletin/ms##-\\*\\*\\*.mspx](http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/bulletin/ms##-***.mspx)

At the end of this line you see "ms##-\*\*\*.mspx" .. If you simply replace ## with the two-digit year and the \*\*\* with the three character month abbreviation, you will see the list of "critical" and "important" patches for that month (since it only happens once a month usually, if you check by the second Tuesday (wait until afternoon) of each month – you should be fine) – note that future months will not work.

As an example...

December 2004's patches..

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/bulletin/ms04-dec.mspx>

March 2005's patches..

None released.. so that one will fail..

May 2005's patches..

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/bulletin/ms05-may.mspx>

July 2005's patches..

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/bulletin/ms05-jul.mspx>

Once you get on the page with each month's list of patches.. You can go to the related KB articles and grab the appropriate files from there.

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How To Ask Questions The Smart Way  
<http://www.catb.org/~esr/faqs/smart-questions.html>

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• **References:**

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