

Re: Swapping XP Pro and Home

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Anna wrote:

Bruce:
See my inline comments...

This usually means that the two motherboards are based upon the same chipset, or only slightly differing versions of the same chipset. I've never seen it work anywhere near so smoothly when there are substantial differences, especially manufacturer, between the chipsets.

Anna responds:

This is not necessarily so in our experience. We've transferred many HDs from one system to another that had completely different motherboards/chipsets and as I've stated, the drive booted straightaway. In many instances the transfer was made between Intel > AMD based boards and vice versa. We saw **no** significant correlation in this area.

Define "many." Does that number extend to hundreds? As I said, experiences vary.

Anna writes:

So, in our experience, it's entirely worthwhile for the user to attempt an initial boot following the HD transfer. If it works – fine. If not, then go to a Repair install.

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Anna responds:

Our experience is based on transferring HDs in scores of XP systems over the years.

Then – and I mean no offense here – your experience is somewhat limited.

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Bruce Chambers

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–Benjamin Franklin

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