

Re: cross post–install W98 onto a USB hard drive

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a very late reply:

No I can not install Windows98 onto a USB drive and nor can I install Windows XP Home Edition onto a USB drive .

I think all Windows operating systems must be installed onto hard drives installed in a computer , and can not be installed onto an externaldevice like a USB hard drive .

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my signature

"Shenan Stanley" wrote:

umwhat wrote:

I asked on New Users but this seems a better place to ask so.....I have XP on an internal hard drive and would like to run W98 with a USB2.0/IDE adapter to a hard drive externally . I have a cd with drivers for W98 for the adapter . The bios supports USB HDD . Is this possible ? Can I load the W98 USB driver before I load W98 , I guess in Dos mode ? Then I have to reinstall W XP.

Shenan wrote:

This is not a cross–post.
This is a multi–post.

Cross–posting would entail a single post that went to many groups in such a way that most responding would respond in all groups.

This message is re–posted to more than one group. When someone responds – they respond here only.

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I cannot answer your question directly – it may not work because Windows 98 won't be able to identify the USB drive during boot.

Recommendations for Booting Windows from USB Storage Devices
<http://www.microsoft.com/whdc/device/storage/usb-boot.mspix>

umwhat wrote:

..... I posted in two groups and I have had a response in both groups . cq

Yes – but they are not the same set of responses.

Cross–posting and those who choose to respond in–kind result in all responses going across all newsgroups that the cross–posted OP is in. This results in an easier way to check the responses and in some cases – a better set of solutions because more people can interact to help you resolve your issue as some people who only post in a single newsgroup might meet and discuss with someone who only usually posts in the other group – and the resulting share of knowledge will result in a better answer.

Multi–posting does not make the interaction happen at all – nor are the answer(s) as easily accessed/replicated – as although the question may be identical and asked in several places – the responses to each one in each newsgroup is its own entity instead of shared across all for the benefit of everyone.

If you have received an answer to your inquiry that worked – it would be nice to post it here as well – to help those who might search in the future and come across this individual post first.

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