

# Re: Using set up disks from Micorsoft download centre for XP Pro

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"Repurr" <Repurr@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
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FYI Video card is a 128MB ATI Radeon 9800 PRO – TV Out and DVI

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Regards

Repurr

If you press F8 when starting, do you get the list of startup modes? If so, try selecting Safe or VGA mode.

If the problem is related to wrong video drivers, either of these should bypass it. In Safe Mode, many services can't run, so there will be limits as to what you can install or uninstall.

In addition to Knoppix, the Ubuntu CD is bootable and will help you determine if the problem is hardware or software. [www.ubuntu.org](http://www.ubuntu.org)

Finally, you appear to have another system available to you. You can take the hard disk out of the malfunctioning system and edit the boot.ini file from the running system to force it into VGA or Safe Mode.

Here's a list of the options:

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/sysinternals/information/bootini.mspx>

HTH

-pk

"Repurr" wrote:

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Thanks for the informative replies, Malke please can you send me further information about Knoppix and how to use it to reboot my PC.

Many thanks for your help – if I was near Fresno, I would bring the beast over to you, being the other side of the pond makes ths a little difficult

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Regards

Repurr

"Malke" wrote: