

# Re: CMD does not open

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I tried bur since the CMD was not working the command line sfc.exe did not work.

"Pegasus (MVP)" wrote:

It sounds as if your command processor is corrupted. Try a System File Check by doing this:

- Click Start / Run
- Type sfc.exe /scannow {OK}

"Yosh" <Yosh@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:DEAAA3E8-258F-4A3E-A28D-6048D78582AF@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Now I have tried both normal and safe modes and starting CMD by typing c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe {Enter}

Both results are the same and What I got was the message:  
"The application failed to initialize properly (0xc0000142). Click on OK to terminate the application."

"Pegasus (MVP)" wrote:

You press F8 repeatedly during the early boot phase, then select Safe Mode from the menu you see.

"Yosh" <Yosh@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:EC9D4022-ECB0-4779-8B5A-42E5170E440F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Pegasus,

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Thanks for your suggestion.  
Could you tell me how to get into the Safe  
Mode?

"Pegasus (MVP)" wrote:

"Yosh"

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I cannot  
open CMD.  
A box  
appears and  
it says, "The  
application  
failed  
to  
initialize  
properly  
(0xc0000142).  
Click on  
OK to  
terminate  
the  
application."

There are several ways to  
open a Command Prompt.  
You  
need to tell us which method  
you use. In the meantime do  
this:  
– Click Start, then Run  
– Type this:  
c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe  
{Enter}  
– Report the result.  
– Try the same in Safe  
Mode.

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