

## Re: How: dual-boot with exact partition-clone

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Speaking for myself – I hate to recommend to a newbie (or even myself) that one should "go into the registry" to do anything. I already have Casper XP, which I find thoroughly satisfactory for cloning single partitions or entire HDs, and considering John John's experience and Pegasus's comment about it, I don't intend to be a beta tester for SelfImage. As for "using XP boot.ini" I don't know why people keep recommending 3rd-party boot managers. Perhaps it's because the boot managers can handle the partition hiding or because they don't want to explain to newbies the syntax of boot.ini, which means explaining the meaning of "rdisk()" and how it varies with the Hard Drive Boot Order.

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<michelratipho@xxxxxxx> wrote:

I must be missing something !  
Why do you all keep on trying to find some partition hiding and booting?

Does my explication on cloning and dual-booting not work for you?!  
Just altering the HKLM\SYSTEM\MountedDevices, cloning with the freeware "SelfImage" and using the XP BOOT.INI does the trick whith me....