

Re: XP SP2, 250 GIG Maxtor, A7N8X-E DLX, have to enable LBA support, if upgrade / fresh install claims unpartitioned

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Reinstalling Windows should not wipe out or alter any data on this drive since you are not installing Windows to this drive. I am curious as to why it would wipe out the drive during the reinstall of Windows. Did you select it to be formatted or are you saying that after installing XP again, it fails to see anything on the drive that you know was there before reinstalling XP?

Also, I think you are trying to say EZ-BIOS, not EZ-Drive. This is where your problem may really come in. The only reason to use this would be if your BIOS does not recognize the full size of the hard drive. If this is the case, then use it. If not, get rid of it. Here are the instructions on how to do that (Read Carefully):

http://maxtor.custhelp.com/cgi-bin/maxtor.cfg/php/enduser/std_adp.php?p_faqid=522&p_created=988320874&p_sid=

Nathan McNulty

Arthur Rosene wrote:

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> its NTFS, healthy, primary partition even though if i reinstall it gets wiped
> and must be prepared using maxtors software. some report about EZ-Drive wont
> allow partition magic to do it if its connected, wiped, (during reinstall).
> maxtor's software branded it as a primary partition. all i'd hope for is that
> i could use 250gb and not lose the single partition on a xp sp2 install. that
> includes upgrade method -- gets wiped.
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> i have a feeling i have to disconnect the drive from now on and run
> "enable_large_drive.exe" from maxtor then reconnect. i would not mind
> partitioning it into 2 if i did not have to do this.
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> oh, and its supposed to be a backup drive.. there is no operating system on
> it.
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> Nathan McNulty <nospam@msn.com> wrote:
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>>Well you didn't really explain the problem or what you want to do
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