

Re: DVD Drivers – Does XP SP2 Cause the problems ??

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Sunny Wrote:

- > Tim wrote:
- > –
- > Check to see if you have any 'alien' CD or DVD tools installed. EG
- > Alcohol
- > 120%, any of the CD ripper or other software. If you have Partition
- > Magic
- > installed consider removing that.
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- > If you are fluent with the registry, check to see if you have any
- > GearSec or
- > GearASPI drivers. Look in Device Manager and check to see if you have
- > any
- > weird controllers EG SCSI controllers that do not relate to any
- > controllers
- > installed in the system. Any of these being present indicates IME
- > Gear
- > device drivers that in the past have caused these issues for me. The
- > best
- > solution is to uninstall the software that installed the drivers, get
- > things
- > going, check for updates for the s/w and ask your self if you really
- > need
- > that software.
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- > My symptoms we assigned drive letters disappeared. Drive letters
- > would
- > not assign. Devices would not work. DVD corruptions (brand new with
- > latest
- > Nero) etc. etc.
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- > – Tim–
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- > In summary, you're saying most third-party CD and DVD tools are
- > incompatible with XP. Based on my (not inconsiderable) experience in
- > this area, I agree.

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- > I tried all available updates, then purged software that still caused
- > problems, but that left me unable to back up most games (my kids are
- > constantly loosing CDs or leaving them at the cottage) or build some
- > types of bootable CD.
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- > My solution is to keep an NT4 installation available and boot it for
- > most CD and DVD burning tasks.
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- > ASPI had similar issues back in the mid nineties, but they eventually
- > got sorted out for the most part. XP ditched ASPI in favour of MMC –
- > it's a vastly superior API, but requires significant application
- > redevelopment, which is why third parties keep trying to shoehorn ASPI
- > into XP. It will be a while yet before third party developers catch up
- > so end users can see benefits instead of headaches.
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- > Mind you, I'm still hoping someone will develop a truly XP compatible
- > ASPI layer – that would restore my Plextor