

Re: USB external drive (enclosure)

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Well, in my case, the new one DOES work on other computers, just not mine.

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- > "autohost" autohost.1y55z3@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx wrote in message
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- > I have a Metal Gear Box drive enclosure (USB2) that I use just fine.
- > Recently, I bought another one that looks the same on the outside,
- > but
- > the circuit board is totally different (appears to be two different
- > companies).
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- > My WinXP Pro SP2 system doesn't recognize the new enclosure at all,
- > no
- > 'new hardware detected' bubble pops up. I then borrowed a different
- > brand USB enclosure from work, and had the exact same issue.
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- > Neither new enclosures show up in Disk Management. At work, I can
- > use
- > all three just fine on a WinXP Pro SP2 box.
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- > Tried using Device Manager to remove (uninstall) the USB entries, but
- > system still won't recognize the other enclosures.
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- > Tried Update Drivers for for the USB entries under the USB section of
- > Device Manager, but none new found.
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- > Have not yet tried having working enclosure connected, then trying to
- > update its driver in Device Manager.
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- > I'm sure a fresh install of Windows would fix it, I really don't want
- > to reinstall all my software etc just to fix this USB drive issue.
- > It
- > somehow should be fixable without a reinstall.
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- > I think I even tried setting the drive in the enclosure from Cable

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> Select to Master, no luck.
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> Most annoying.
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> I recently bought two identical such enclosures. One worked fine,
> the other showed up as a USB device but did not show the disk
> itself (even when using the disk from the first device). I tried it
> on several PCs – no joy, then asked the dealer for a replacement.
> Problem solved.

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• **References:**

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