

Re: IOMEGA External USB HDD 250 GB Problem

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priya_navkar@xxxxxxxxxx wrote:

Hi,

I recently purchased IOMEGAExternal USB HDD 250 gb online from CompUSA.

As per the specification on product box it says that the capacity of this HDD is 250 GB.

However after connecting this external usb hdd to my WindowsXp professional laptop, I found that its capacity is only 232GB. What happened to the rest of 18 GB?

As I understand 18GB is a lot of memory. Is there something wrong with the product? Can someone explain me why it is not showing 250 GB disk space as it was advertised on the product box?

Thanks,
Anand

WinXP, like other operating systems, measures kilobytes, megabytes, and gigabytes as:

1 Kb = 1024 bytes

1 Mb = 1024 Kb = 1,048,576 bytes

1 Gb = 1024 Mb = 1,073,741,824 bytes

However, a common marketing ploy used by hard drive manufacturers to make their products seem a bit larger than they really are is to assign the value of an even 1,000,000,000 bytes to the gigabyte.

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<http://www.catb.org/~esr/faqs/smart-questions.html>

They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.
–Benjamin Franklin

Many people would rather die than think; in fact, most do. –Bertrand Russell