

Re: Floppy Drive and XP

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XP demands that floppies be formatted correctly. 98 doesn't care (but does its own correctly) as 98 doesn't trust anything and always works out independently the information stored on disk while XP trusts the disk information the disk is reporting.

If you have problems between XP and 98 then the floppy alignment is off on one or both.

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<http://www.uscricket.com>

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"BP" <replytoall@dufus.net> wrote in message news:QJKdnc678bwS9O_cRVn-tA@conversent.net...
> It seems that our masters at Microsoft have decreed the floppy disk
> obsolete. So full backward compatibility for floppies was not built into XP.
> I have found that if I format the floppies on my old Win98 puter they will
> work fine on both platforms, but not reliably if they are formatted in XP.
> The floppy disk is a common computer peripheral that many people still
> utilize. An operating system that cannot properly use such a common device
> is defective, IMHO.
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> "DieterKlausen" <DieterKlausen@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message
> news:66A9076E-724B-4BD2-9567-CD5A4F2B6DD6@microsoft.com...
>> I have reading alot of the questions and replies regarding floppy drives
> and
>> xp and thus far I am still confused. I have gone to the recommened sites
> and
>> articles but there is still no resolution. The floppy drives are not
>> defective and they use to run in xp pro but they just sit there basking in
>> the warm air blowing on them from the fans. I have tried to update the
>> drivers blah, blah, blah but I am told the devices are working properly.
> Do
>> I need to download files from the motherboard manufacturer?
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>> Thanks
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>> DieterKlausen
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