

## Re: Incorrect Partition Information In Disk Management

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Oops, my mistake. I read the first entry wrong. Didn't realize it was working at one point in windows! Then for sure it is not the bios.

Teddy

"Enkidu" wrote:

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> *I don't agree that it is the BIOS. He had it working before he*  
> *re-installed. If he could see it before and he can't know that*  
> *definitely points at the OS, and the BIOS must be OK. The fix for very*  
> *large was part of SP1 or SP2, but he might still need a manufacturers*  
> *patch.*  
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> *Cheers,*  
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> *Cliff*  
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> *On Thu, 18 Nov 2004 15:09:01 -0800, "Teddy"*  
> *<Teddy@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote:*  
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> *>I think this has to do with the bios and not actually windows. You should*  
> *>check the bios to see if it is registering the full 250gb in there...if it's*  
> *>not, windows will only see roughly up to 130gb.*  
> >  
> *>When you restart your computer you should see an option to enter setup.*  
> *>It's a small window of opportunity so you have to pay attention. All bios's*  
> *>are different but common keys to hit when you see that message is F1, F2 or*  
> *>the DELETE key.*  
> >  
> *>>You should have a look at your documentation that came with your computer*  
> *>>for bios info. It's really important that you don't CHANGE settings in here*  
> *>>that you're not aware about. You could change it to a point where your*  
> *>>computer will not boot up at all. Having a look in here is not going to hurt*  
> *>>things.*

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> >*Generally your hard disk information is going to be on the first screen that*  
> >*comes up. If the bios is not recognizing the full 250 gb hard drive, there*  
> >*may be a bios update on your computers manufacturer's website. This is*  
> >*called "flashing the bios" and it's VERY IMPORTANT that you follow the*  
> >*instructions!!! You could render your computer unusable.*  
> >  
> >*Good Luck!*  
> >  
> >*"Ben Williams" wrote:*  
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> >> *I recently reinstalled Windows XP Professional on my home computer. I own two*  
> >> *hard drives, a 120GB and a 250GB. The 120GB hard drive is partitioned into*  
> >> *two 55GB partitions. The 250GB hard drive consists of only one giant*  
> >> *partition. Upon reinstallation I discovered that the contents of both*  
> >> *partitions on my 120GB hard drive (the one I used to install Windows on) were*  
> >> *intact. My 250GB drive may not have been so lucky. Though it is shown in*  
> >> *Device Manager, the Disk Management program thinks now that it is a 127GB*  
> >> *drive that has not been initialized. This drive actually contains roughly*  
> >> *127GB of data or free space (one of the two). The drive uses the NTFS file*  
> >> *system. The drive was not formatted or tampered with in any way during the*  
> >> *reinstallation. Why is this drive showing as such and is there anything that*  
> >> *I can do to fix it?*  
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> *These twin-CPU hyperthreading computers are really*  
> *great! We can wait ten to a hundred times faster*  
> *these days.*  
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