

Re: New hardware : io conflict (code 12)

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Hi, Karma.

> *As the name suggests, it's a TV/FM tuner (PCI). I have of course the
> latest Leadtek drivers for WinXP.*

Ah! OK. I don't have that, but my graphics card is an ATI All-in-Wonder 9000, so I do get to enjoy watching TV on my computer – but no FM.

>> *These lines sound like you haven't yet dumped the Win9x/ME mindset. We
>> never worry about "free resources" in WinXP.*

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> *I've read somewhere that fixes exist for some drivers so they take less
> resources where these are needed (seen on Microsoft support site).*

Could you point me to that site? I'm no techie and may not understand what I read there, but lots of true gurus read this newsgroup and one of them should jump in with some solid advice on this.

> *I never had to worry about free resources before, but this time I'm quite
> confused : I've only 1 pci device, 1 AGP and 2 onboard, and Windows just
> can't find enough IO addresses !?! I've also tried to deactivate every
> devices but AGP one (included network, sound card, USB, ...), and it
> doesn't help. Seems like they both want their part of memory, without
> being willing to move elsewhere.*

These problems sound familiar – but I haven't seen them since I left Win98 behind. I did have IRQ problems for the first year after switching to Win2K, but that was before hardware manufacturers had written new Win2K/XP-compatible drivers for their peripherals. Up to that point, I had to intervene strongly in trying to get the right PCI cards in the right slots to avoid IRQ conflicts – and never did get my ADSL modem and Sound Blaster working simultaneously. Finally, I found a "beta" BIOS on the website for my motherboard maker (DFI) and flashed that. Within a day or two, my IRQ conflicts resolved themselves and I had no more such problems.

You may be trying too hard, Karma. In your first post, you said:

> – *it seems I can't disable ACPI in motherboard's bios. Even reinstalling*

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> *XP with ACPI disabled doesn't help*

Why would you want to disable ACPI? I think this is the key to getting