

# Stupid Activation

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I bought a new Pc in January, and installed Windows XP and used the same registration key as my old computer, every thing has been fine until today, when my computer has asked me to activate windows.

I have gone into the activation screen and entered the registration key exactly from the label on my old PC. However I get an error message saying "According to our records, the number of times you can activate windows with this registration key has exceeded"????????? How I've been using it for years. Can anyone help?

I have no intention of paying microsoft for another copy of XP, when I have already done so.

I have only 3 days left before windows stops.....help.....

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