

Re: 137GB HD Limit in Recovery Console

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> Maxtor big drive enabler,
> <http://www.maxtor.com/portal/site/Maxtor/menuitem.3c67e325e0a6b1f629419>
> 8b091346068/?channelpath=%2Fen_us%2Fsupport%2Fsoftware%20Downloads%2FAT
> A%20Hard%20Drives&downloadID=11
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Thanks. I have this, but it seems only to be for Windows XP in booted mode (Safe or Full), not for low-level use. I tried installing it, but as I already had the Microsoft HotFix applied it just reminded me of this and exited installation. What I need is a driver recognisable by the Recovery Console. Ordinary ATA, not SATA or RAID which are supplied with the MotherBoard. Can't see anything on GigaByte's site that fits the bill, and no mention by Microsoft of the limit as applicable to the Recovery Console. Or none that I've found anyway

When I had an unidentified problem previously the RC wouldn't even recognise the partition involved. It subsequently was resolved by the hotfix, but still no recognition from RC. I deleted the partition. Even though the "problem" was entirely spurious, and now addressed by the "Fix", I'm not prepared to trust my data to a partition I cannot even see in RC. RC is supposed to be a last resort if even Safe Mode cannot cope. If the last resort is bogus then it's just extremely annoying window-dressing. My temp workaround has been to use my 2nd backup HD for overspill, but now I have to trust my backups to that part of the 250GB which is over the 137GB mark. The backup software (Acronis True Image) has no problem with this - It sees the entire disk at all stages - but I fret about the day there's some glitch that blocks that access. If it can't be seen it might not be fixable, and then what use is a backup?

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