

Re: Formatting

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On Mon, 10 Sep 2007 19:38:20 -0700, Carcare
<Carcare@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

There has got to be an easy way to delete everything from my C drive without losing the XP operating system. How?

First, "everything" includes the operating system, so you certainly can't literally do as you say.

Second, if you mean everything except Windows, you can't even do that easily, because Windows has important files and references all over the place. Even if you succeeded, the result would be a lot of problems

Third, your subject line says "Formatting." When you format, you remove *everything* on the drive, and that includes Windows.

Fourth, the normal way to get rid of everything except the operating system would be to reformat the drive and then reinstall Windows.

Exactly what are you trying to accomplish and why?

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