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Yeah, see how frustrated I'm getting. It's a 500gb drive.

Mickey:

As Ken Blake responded, it's necessary to partition/format that "unallocated" disk space. It's not clear that you have done this since you refer only to the "unallocated" disk space that was left after you created the 480 GB partition. Is it possible that you have not yet created & formatted that second partition?

Anna

Mickey:

I just happened to talk with one of my former colleagues a few moments after I sent the above post. He informed me that it's unnecessary to create & format a partition out of the unallocated disk space; that the installation of the ExpressRecovery2 utility apparently manages that undertaking. Apparently a minimum of 10 GB of unallocated disk space is necessary and I believe you indicated there was 20 GB of unallocated space.

Unfortunately I didn't have time to discuss your specific problem with him. (Actually, *he* didn't have the time!). If I'm able to get further info that may be of help to you re this issue I'll pass it on.

Anna

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"Mickey Mouse" <Mickey@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Hi Anna, thanks for the reply. I do appreciate you, Ken and the others for the replies.
No I haven't partitioned the Unallocated space. My reasonong is this.. If I format the unallocated space, then it becomes a drive, in this case E: so I end up with C:,D:, & E: leaving no unallocated space for Xpress Recovery2 to use.

The gigabyte book says specifically.....
"Xpress Recovery2 will check the first physical drive for the operating system. Xpress Recovery2 can only backup/restore the first physical hard drive that has the operating system installed.

Xpress Recover2 will save the backup file at the end of the hard drive,
MAKE SURE TO LEAVE ENOUGH
UNALLOCATED SPACE IN ADVANCE (10gig or more recommended).

Can it be clearer than that? I know this is right as I have done it before on another system twice. I had trouble then too, but I had so much trouble I don't remember what I did.

I've tried this and Xpress recovery won't install and says "NOT ENOUGH HDD FREE SIZE FOR IMAGE BACKUP" Error 400
C: Primary 341.80 gig D: Logical 97.65 gig & Unallocated 23.61gig
C: Primary 341.80 gig D: Free space 97.65 gig & Unallocated 23.61gig
C: Primary 341.80 gig Free space 97.65 gig & D: Primary 23.61gig
C: Primary 341.80 gig Unallocated 97.65 gig & D:Primary 23.61gig
C: Primary 341.80 gig Extended 97.65 gig & Unallocated 23.61gig

I've just now found how to email gigabyte and see what I get back.

Mickey

Mickey:
Funny. I can't tell you how many Gigabyte boards I've worked with over the years, yet I've never used (installed) that Xpress Recovery2 utility that Gigabyte includes with their boards! I suppose it's because we (initially) rarely set up the HDD with unallocated disk space. And we've been partial to

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the Casper 5 disk-cloning program to create & maintain a comprehensive backup system.

Anyway, I note from the info you provided above that you've created an Extended partition so as to incorporate a Logical drive. I assume you have your reason(s) for doing so rather than simply creating another Primary partition. But I was just wondering whether that would have some effect on the system's inability to install the XR2 utility in the unallocated disk space. Logically there would not seem to be any bar to doing so since the amount of unallocated disk space on the disk seems ample enough for the XR2 utility, but would it be practical (just as a test) to delete the Extended-Logical drive partition and create that second partition as a Primary partition? Naturally I'm assuming that you don't have any data on the D: Logical drive, or if you do you could copy it to your C: partition or some removable media.

It's just a "shot-in-the-dark" while you're awaiting a reply from Gigabyte.
Anna