

Re: Windows XP pro OEM

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Richard Daish,

Until you resolve your issue with the PC manufacturer, of obtaining some kind of restore CD, you might consider purchasing a copy of Acronis TrueImage version 11. This will enable you to make an image of your HDD and its partitions. To be used in a restore process in the future.

It can be purchased from Acronis online for about USD\$49.99, and most computer stores for about the same amount. You can check also on Ebay for TrueImage version 10 which might be cheaper, version 10 will work will work with Vista, if you ever acquire a PC with Vista, or upgrade your current PC with Vista.

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"Malke" <malke@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:OTHGEzFkIHA.2396@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Richard Daish wrote:

I have checked – there is no physical CD, no restore disk, no special partition, nor any software to create restore CD – no manual either (I've had to download the MB manual from the internet).

The computer is not a well-known make – probably just some two-bit outfit (no names!) making a bit of money building cheapo computers!

Thanks anyway.

I was actually looking at some way of compacting the OS onto a disc so that I can use it for back up. Obviously, the simplest thing to do is to buy another copy of XP!

That's not the obvious solution to me. The obvious solution to me is that you contact the computer mfr. and insist on receiving a legal copy of XP Pro OEM or call your credit card company and do a charge-back. Also contact

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Microsoft's piracy division.

Piracy Basics – Microsoft Product Activation –

<http://www.microsoft.com/piracy/basics/activation/>

Genuine Windows Offer Q&A –

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Malke

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