

## Re: Response to Rocky

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"Chuck" <none@example.net> wrote in message  
news:kdooe0dva0bn2jsvhkp9lsfugoe0oouje2@4ax.com...

> *On Wed, 7 Jul 2004 12:50:19 -0700, "Sher"*

> *<anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com>*

> *wrote:*

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> *>It's not my mouse's manufacturer's technical problem. I*

> *>need to find out how to guide dos or XP to detect my mouse*

> *>on the serial port at start-up.*

>>

> *>Thanks anyway. Perhaps someone else would know what I'm*

> *>talking about out there?*

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> *>Sher*

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> *Sher,*

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> *USB devices are automatically detected at startup. Serial, parallel, and  
PS/2*

> *connected devices have to load a driver at startup to be detected. You  
may have*

> *to get the driver from the manufacturer – Windows won't detect the mouse*

> *automatically, and magically find a driver, like it will for USB.*

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> *What make and model mouse is it? And, as I asked before, is it a natively*

> *serial mouse, or a PS/2 mouse with a serial adapter?*

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Huh? I can't remember the last time I installed mouse drivers, unless the mouse had special functions. Give it a try. Unplug whatever mouse you have, plug in a serial mouse, and as soon as the computer boots, you'll have mouse function.