

## Re: CPU upgrade – Re–install ?

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"Tim" <[anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com](mailto:anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com)> wrote:

>Hi I have a Celeron 2.0 and will be upgrading to a P4  
>3.0. The m/board can take it, but what about the o/s ?  
>Will I need to re–install XP to take advantage of  
>hyperthreading or not ?  
>  
>thanks

You should not have to reinstall Windows just because of a CPU change.

However if the new P4 is the hyperthreading model then your Windows XP may not pick this up. A properly installed Hyperthreading CPU will show 2 CPU graphs in the Performance tab of Windows Task Manager.

If the two graphs are not present after you have replaced the CPU then you will probably need to do a "Repair Install" of your Windows XP in order to get the CPU recognized properly.

See <http://michaelstevensstech.com/XPrepairinstall.htm> for details.

Good luck

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