

Re: How to reinstall Windows after SP2 upgrade?

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It appears that you want to do a Repair Install on your system. Problem is that your WinXP CD does NOT have SP2 on it and you can't run Repair Install of an "older version of WinXP" over WinXP SP2.

Two reasonable choice:

- Create a "slipstreamed" version of WinXP. This will give you a bootable WinXP SP2 CD that you can use to do a Repair Install. NOTE: This assumes that you have a "real" WinXP CD to work with and it isn't a "Recovery CD".
- You can uninstall SP2 from Control Panel and then do the Repair Install, subsequently re-install SP2. Problem with this method is that if you ever have an unbootable system, you will NOT be able to do the SP2 uninstall and you'll be in a jam.

Another respondent gave you a pointer to how you can create a slipstream version of WinXP SP2.

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Regards,
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"bmschnell" <bmschnell@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message
news:F36E480C-A33C-402C-9F3C-D1078640B787@microsoft.com...
>I upgraded my processor from a 3.06GHz 533 MHz FSB to a 3.4GHz 800FSB
>Pentium
> 4. I was running on an Intel D865PERL mobo. However I did not first
> upgrade
> the BIOS, therefore the system was unstable after the processor upgrade. I
> thought that perhaps I should reinstall Windows XP (I had already
> installed
> the Windows XP SP2 update). I then got errors that the image files on the
> computer do not match those on the Windows XP cd. I then installed Windows
> XP
> on another hard drive (EIDE drive) successfully and then flashed the new
> BIOS. However I still get the same errors when trying to reinstall on the
> SATA HD. I also cannot run the SATA HD at all as the default is to always
> boot from a SATA HD and this apparently cannot be changed in the setup. I
> do
> not want to lose my files on the SATA HD. How can I recover the files and

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> get  
> the SATA HD operating again? Is there a boot CD to use if you have  
> installed  
> the Windows XP2 SP on the drive...could that be the problem? Thank you for  
> any help!
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