

Re: XP Install Using PXE/Imaging.

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Hi

Just have a look to <http://ani.sourceforge.net>
That's an easy-to-use network installation service.

Tell us what you think about this

PaulK wrote in

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> If anyone can figure this out, they will be my hero :)

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> I have an older Toshiba notebook that does not have the capability to boot
> from a CD-Rom Drive. So I thought to myself, fine I'll just grab the 6

Floppy

> Disk XP Pro SP2 set off MS.com and it will detect my CD drive. No luck.

Its a

> PCMCIA based drive that doesnt seem to be working.

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> I borrowed an External Plextor 48x24x48U USB CD Drive from work and tried
to

> boot off it and use the 6 disk floppy set. Unfortunately there is only 1
USB

> port and the floppy drive I'm using is USB based. No luck with that
option.

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> I installed VMWare 5 on my desktop PC and created a virtual XP Pro SP2
> install. After the XP install I created a partition on the virtual hard
drive

> and created an image (sysprep'ed and all) of the XP install onto it using

> PowerQuest Deploy Center. I created a boot disk and added it to my PXE
server

> listing and sucessfully imaged the laptop. Unfortunately I cant boot into

> Windows after imaging. It just hangs before reaching the colorful XP boot

> screen. (Hangs at the black and white loading bar) IRQ problems I'd

assume.

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> Thoughts I've had:

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- > 1) Make a virtual floppy set of the XP setup diskettes and use PXE, hoping
- > that it will see the USB cd drive. (Cant figure out how to use PXE with
- more
- > that one floppy image)
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- > 2) Create an image that will work. I can image the laptop without a
- problem,
- > I just have to create a HAL independant one or repair the existing image
- that
- > hangs on boot up.
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- > 3) Chuck the POS off of a roof
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- > Any advice would be greatly appreciated
- >
- > Paul Krevs
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• **References:**

◆ **[XP Install Using PXE/Imaging.](#)**

◇ *From:* PaulK

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