

Re: Boot Floppy

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Claus wrote:

Good question. It's a tiny 5 year old Toshiba that according to the owner was purchased in Japan. I see it as a challenge but so far I haven't gotten any further than the C drive. Ran a read only chkdsk and there are no bad sectors. So if I would get my hands on some small recovery tool that runs off a floppy I would have a good chance to get the files back. I googled too and tested a few that claimed booting from floppy – so far I couldn't find any that was really doing it. The laptop has 512 RAM so even if I could load from several floppies I would have some hope.

Oh boy. One of those "time sinks" eh? Well, might consider Henry's other suggestion about pulling the HD and sticking it in a USB enclosure and repairing it on other hardware.

Claus wrote:

Thanks KJ,

The darn thing doesn't support USB CD. I have a floppy that allows write and I get in but I need something that will undelete those darn files in the C root.

Google shows quite a few but I don't have experience with any of them. Sorry. How the heck did that laptop get built with XP without a CD/DVD (PXE perhaps)?

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Claus wrote:

Henry,

I just had a look at it and it's not what I'm searching for. I was after a program that would boot off a floppy, make the C drive accessible and the recover deleted files. With GetDataBack (if I understand it right) I would mount the laptop drive remotely.

Claus,

You'd probably be better off getting a USB CD drive if your laptop supports booting it. If your XP was installed using NTFS (as it should be) then you are going to have a problem reading let alone writing to the hard drive (without BartPe / WinPE). NTFSDOS will let you read the filesystem, but not write to it. I don't know if NTFSDOS Pro is still around or not.

You need a
Bart's PE
Disk
and a copy
of
GetDataBack.

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Does
anybody
know
of
a
good
file
recovery
tool
that
can
boot
from
a
floppy?
Laptop
doesn't
have
a
CDROM
and
the
user
seemed
to
have
deleted
all
files
in
the
C
root
on
his
XP
Pro.

Thanks

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