

Re: Dual-boot install on PC with XP recovery partition

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CBFalconer wrote:

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piltdown <spoofaddress@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I have a PC with a XP recovery partition as the first partition on the hard drive. When booting the XP boot loader offers the option of booting into XP or recovery mode.

If I install Linux will GRUB recognise the the recovery partition

Possibly, but I don't know definitely if there is anything to differentiate the recovery partition to grub. However, it will continue to be on your XP loader list.

I would worry more about XP recovery destroying grub.

FYI

I very recently purchased a new notebook which came with XP and a "protected" 10GB recovery partition. I wanted to install linux so I first made an image of my entire drive. Then I used partition magic to reduce the first partition (the XP one) to 20GB leaving a whopping 40GB free. I actually installed three different linux distros and all installed just fine into this area. The first install put grub in its proper place and easily identified the XP AND the recovery partition as well as a 1GB boot partition that is an "emergency" windoze recovery partition. All are living well and grub is doing its job just perfectly!!!

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Good luck and if you're careful you shouldn't have any problems.

Bob

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