

# Partition table is inconsistent

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Hello,

I try to install Windows 98 and Fedora Core 2 on my hard disk, a Maxtor 120GB.

First of all I make fat32 partition for Windows (using LBA) and leave free space for Linux, then install Windows, and it is ok; but when I begin to install Fedora, it shows me a message like this:

"The partition table is inconsistent. There are many reasons why this might be the case. Often, the reason is that Linux detected the BIOS geometry incorrectly. However, this does not appear to be the case here. It is safe to ignore, but ignoring may cause (fixable) problems with some boot loaders, and may cause problems with FAT file systems. Using LBA is recommended."

That is, if I make partition with Microsoft fdisk or Partition Magic, it result inconsistent for Linux, and vice versa.

How can partitions for Windows and linux live together?

Or I must install Windows on a hard disk and Fedora on another hard disk?

Thank you everybody in advance.

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