Subject: Re: Cloned Recovery Partition To New HDD Help
Posted by EvilWhiteDragon on Sun, 06 Jun 2010 19:14:15 GMT

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(SSnipe) -BLU3Y3Z- wrote on Sun, 06 June 2010 19:45EvilWhiteDragon wrote on Sun, 06 June 2010 02:40The recovery partition was on the broken disk. The windows partition you cloned was broken before you cloned it (broken as in damaged, not properly readable). So you got a broken copy of your windows partition. The recovery partition might have survived, but it doesn't have the right MBR for it to load (which is most likely not the default windows MBR, or NTLDR doesn't have the entry for the recovery partition in boot.ini.

What you should do is this:
1) Wipe the LINUX disk
2) Do a clean Windows install on it
3) Connect the broken HDD
4) copy ONLY the files you need to backup (documents and such) to a dir on the linux disk. This dir should not be my documents yet.
5) Check if you can open the files properly, so you can be sure no files are damaged due to bad sectors.
6) Copy the non-damaged files to my documents and make a list of damaged files, so you know what precisely you lost.
7) ???
 Profit!
lol at number 8

but anyways I did a scan on it and nothings wrong with the recovery partition, and as of right now the broken HDD is wiped out everything is gone even recovery partition, I have the recovery partition on the new HDD and the image of it on my external HDD if I need it, I was thinking since the new HDD had the linux MBR on it, that maybe I should install win xp on it a bootleg one, and then delete it, so it has a windows MBR, then clone over the recovery partition again, do you think that would work?
No, because most recover/check things don't kown when files are broken. Sometimes they work and sometimes they dont. Also the recovery partition probably uses a different MBR and or loader.

Why do I have the feeling I already wrote that? If you want more help, read my posts and use what I write. If I could come up with a better way it would've been there.