

Unable to resize this hard disk. Its file system might be corrupted.

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Symptoms

I could not resize a hard disk of my virtual machine. The error appeared:

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Cause

Windows is corrupted or its virtual hard disk is damaged.

Resolution

Warning: We strongly recommend to <u>create a backup copy</u> of your Virtual Machine before applying the solution below!

Please take into account the size of virtual machine comparing to free space on Macintosh HD.

Once you created a backup copy, please proceed with the following:

- 1. Locate your Virtual machine in Finder
- 2. Right click on the *.pvm file of your virtual machine -> choose **Show Package Contents**
- 3. In Mac OS X, go to Applications > Utilities and launch Terminal. Type the following but do *not* execute:

```
prl_disk_tool check --hdd
```

4. Drag the *.hdd file into Terminal and drop it right next to "prl_disk_tool check --hdd ". In Terminal you will see something like this:

```
prl_disk_tool check --hdd /Users/Username/Documents/Parallels/Windows\ 7.pvm/Windows\ 7-0.hdd
```

Note: There should be a space between '--hdd' and 'Users/Username...'

- 5. Press Enter/Return key to run the command and attempt to fix the disk consistency.
- 6. When the operation is complete, try resizing the hard disk again.

If at this point the resize procedure was unsuccessful but Windows is accessible, <u>check your hard disk for errors and corrupted sectors</u> from within Windows.

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