Playstation 2 Repair Guide

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2. Disc Read Errors

It seems that there are many people who are having disc read errors on their PS2 consoles for no apparent reason. They get it on some discs or DVD's and not on others. There is no logical pattern to the problem. Obviously you don't want to pay someone \$120.00 to fix the problem, and so you have purchased this information in hopes of getting to the bottom of it.

A study of the problem reveals that there can be a couple of different things causing it. First, is the laser that reads the disc is dirty. Since lasers are very sensitive, it only takes a small spec of dirt to mess the whole thing up. Second, it could be that the disc is not spinning on the spindle correctly, thus the laser cannot read it. Certain games (mainly blue discs) not working and others working fine usually signify this problem. One other symptom of the disc not spinning on the spindle correctly is that you will get some scratching noises while the game is in. This NEEDS to be repaired before your games are ruined.

All of the procedures listed are simple and easy ones that practically anyone can do. They are listed in order from the easiest fix to the hardest. Even the hardest one is not that hard but why go through the trouble if you don't have too? Please **DO NOT BE IN A HURRY** and jump into this without completely reading the steps in the process and making sure you understand them before getting started.

OPTIONAL: If you have or can get a couple of clips that hold stacks of paper they make and excellent clip for holding your PS2 cover firmly to the PS2 base. This will reduce your risk of accidentally tearing your ribbon cable. See photo.



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