

Mega frustrated -- Boot up is TOO FAST ...



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May 26, 2006 Hi guys --I never EVER thought I have to say this on a computer but the VM boot up sequence is TOO fast.

I just don't have time to press the correct keys in time to get either the BIOS set up or ESC to get the boot menu.

Any tricks to slow this down so I can actually boot from the CD.

Normally I want computers to go faster but this is one instance where it's TOO FAST. By the time I can even get a key press to enter I get Invalid System Disk -- I KNOW it's invalid system disc that's why I'm trying to install anew guest from the CD -- ths Quick Create VM wizard is no good in this case as I have to swap CD's several time during the install and the wizard doesn't release the CD until the Guest OS is installed.

Cheers

jimbo



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Oct 12, 2007 **1. Re: Mega frustrated -- Boot up is TOO FAST -- Can't get into VM BIOS setup to change Boot device. not enough time** Jan 24, 2009 6:57 AM

check out this thread, there's a way to delay the BIOS

<http://communities.vmware.com/thread/106757>

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Dec 18, 2003 **2. Re: Mega frustrated -- Boot up is TOO FAST -- Can't get into VM BIOS setup to change Boot device. not enough time** Jan 24, 2009 7:30 AM

check the bios-vmx-parameters

<http://sanbarrow.com/vmx/vmx-advanced.html#bios>

description of vmx-parameters: <http://sanbarrow.com/vmx.html>

VMware-liveCD: <http://sanbarrow.com/moa.html>



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May 26, 2006 **3. Re: Mega frustrated -- Boot up is TOO FAST -- Can't get into VM BIOS setup to change Boot device. not enough time** Jan 24, 2009 8:07 AM

in response to: [continuum](#)

Hi guys found the answer -- simpler than I thought 6.5.1 has a direct Power==> Power to Bios in the menu (people had obviously encountered this problem before).

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