To convert a volume to FAT from the command prompt

You can do this by using the Windows XP Startup disks or, if your computer supports a bootable CD-ROM, by using the Recovery Console tool on the Windows XP CD-ROM. Reformatting or repartitioning a disk deletes all of the data that is on the disk, so make sure that you back up your data before you reformat the disk.

To use Recovery Console to reformat a drive, follow these steps:

1. Start the computer by using the Windows XP CD-ROM or the Startup disks.

2. When the Welcome to Setup screen appears, press **F10**.

3. In Recovery Console, specify the appropriate installation, and then log on by using your **Administrator password**.

4. Type map, and then press **ENTER**.

5. Note the drive that you want to reformat. The drive letters may be different in Recovery Console from what they are in Windows XP.

5. Type format **x: /fs:fat32**, where **x is the letter of the drive** that you want to format and **FAT32** is the file system that you want to use, and then press **ENTER**.

6. **Type y** and then press **ENTER** to confirm your choice.

7. When the formatting process is finished, **type exit** and then press **ENTER**, **to restart the computer**.

Hope this help!