

Re: HP 3200m

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Aidan Grey wrote:

- > On Wed, 29 Jun 2005 17:31:16 -0500, jakdedert wrote:
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- > What you should do at this point is confirm if the formatter board
- > is damaged or not. As
- > this problem was caused by a lightning strike, it may well be that the
- > formatter board has
- > failed.
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- > Using your service manual, pull the formatter board from the
- > defective printer, and install
- > it in the working printer. If the fault follows the formatter board,
- > then that is proof that the
- > formatter board is the problem.

Thanks. I've pulled the LIU (modem) board, following the advice of someone on the fixyourownprinter forum; but the error code remains. Preliminary testing indicates some failed silicon on that piece. I'll do the parts swap thing if I can pry the other printer away from my wife. She insisted that I pull *my* fax/printer for her use until I get the other fixed or replaced....

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- > If you confirm that the formatter board has failed, you can then
- > decide if you want to
- > replace it or not. Go to: <http://partsurfer.hp.com>. Look up the
- > parts for your model, and then
- > search for the formatter board assembly.

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I'll do that immediately.

- > There is a good chance that a replacement board from HP will cost
- > you more than you
- > originally paid for the printer.

Almost goes without saying. I paid less than \$50 for this one.

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- > There are some other suppliers of HP parts. Most of them charge
- > less than HP. Take the
- > HP part number and do a Web search for it, to confirm what the lowest

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> price is.

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Will be worth it *if* I can obtain replacement parts for less than \$50-\$100. Much more and I'll find another one, albeit probably not as good as this one was.

Stay online...I'll keep you updated. BTW, what exactly is indicated by a good engine test? Is the formatter board included in that? Mine tested good, so I'm sure it's not a complete loss...if, for nothing else, spares for the one that's still working.

jak

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> Aidan Grey

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• **References:**

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