

INSPIRON 1318 Screen/Backlight Issues

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Hi there I wonder if anyone can help....

My dell INSPIRON 1318 has got backlight issues. For a few weeks it only worked with an external Monitor, then I decided to try fix it so I bought a new Screen Inverter, this did nothing, the screen was still faint though. I then decided to flash the BIOS to a newer version to see if that was the problem - once I flashed it the screen worked AS LONG AS AN EXTERNAL MONITOR WAS ALSO CONNECTED and it mirrored it. If I then unplugged the monitor from the VGA port my laptops screen would lose its backlight. This is a really weird thing to do and I haven't seen any other examples of this happening. Now when I first boot the laptop (and the external monitor isn't connected) the BIOS screen can be seen with full backlight for a few seconds (around 5) or if I bring the computer out of hibernation i can see my screen fully again for around 5 seconds. Does this mean that the backlight is faulty or its the graphics card/motherboard that could be not working fully?

It would be nice to hear a few opinions before I start buying screens/motherboards or a new laptop!

thanks very much,

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