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Subject: Re: Liquid Cooling

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First off, you don't need any aftermarket cooling at all if you don't plan on overclocking.

Overclocking will not damage your components. You will always be in a situation where it either works or it doesn't. If it doesn't work, that just means it's unstable, not that your pc is damaged. If something is unstable, usually it just won't boot or you'll freeze at some point. What will damage your parts is heat, and with most newer CPUs heat decides how much you can overclock. Just search around for the usual accepted heat levels for your CPU, and make sure you stay below that while overclocking.

If you go with liquid cooling, don't buy a set. There are plenty of overclocking forums with plenty of guides on how to setup a proper water cooling system on your own with individual parts. Make sure you research this a lot before making a decision, because there are always new technology, designs, and methods that are coming out all the time. Make sure you get what's right for you. Also keep in mind that liquid is not a casual setup, it's mainly just used for high level overclocking... or if you live somewhere that the room temp is like 40C all the time. If you're new to overclocking, or don't plan on overclocking at all, you really don't need to waste your money on this. I run an E8400 at 3.6GHz just fine with a big ass aluminum heatsink.

Check <http://forums.extremeoverclocking.com> There are more, but I like this one personally.

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