

## Uninstalling Sound Blaster Drivers and Applications(Windows Vista)

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### Summary:

- ✓ When Sound Blaster drivers and applications are installed incorrectly, it is recommended that you uninstall them with the Windows **Add/Remove Programs (Windows XP)** or **Uninstall (Windows Vista)** wizard in Control Panel before installing them back.
- ✓ If you are using Windows Vista, it is recommended that you download and install the latest Windows Vista drivers. Do not use the installation CD-ROM disk unless the disk is labeled for Windows Vista.

To uninstall a device driver in **Windows Vista**, it is recommended that you use Windows **Device Manager**.

1. Click **Start, Control Panel**, and then double-click **Administrative Tools**, double-click **Computer Management**, and then click **Device Manager**.
2. Double-click the type of device, for example, Sound, Video and Gamer Controllers, that you want to uninstall.
3. Right-click the specific device (for example, Sound Blaster X-Fi) you want to uninstall, and then click **Uninstall**.
4. In the **Confirm Device Removal** dialog box, select the Delete the driver software for this device option and then click OK.
5. Restart the computer
6. When you are done uninstalling the device, remove it from the computer if desired.

If you have a Sound Blaster installation CD-ROM disk (Windows Vista edition), you can manually uninstall the Sound Blaster drivers by running its SETUP.EXE.

To do so, insert the installation CD-ROM disk. Close the Installation/SETUP wizard if the CD-ROM autoruns. Browse the CD-ROM disk, open \Vista\Audio\Drivers, and double click on the SETUP.EXE file.