

## MANAGING YOUR MEDIA AUTOPLAY FUNCTION

Windows has a tendency to try to anticipate what will please you and then barrel ahead. For example, Autoplay allows you to change the way Windows handles the media files it detects on a device with removable storage, such as a digital camera, CD, DVD, or Thumb Drive. As a result, when Windows detects music tracks on your CD drive, it can automatically play the tracks or it can allow you to view them in a folder.


This can get annoying, especially if you are dealing with a bunch of picture CDs and Windows keeps asking you what program you want to use in order to open those picture files. If you don't want Windows to second-guess what you want to do with your CDs, DVDs or Thumb Drives, you can disable the AutoPlay function.

- 1 Press Windows + X.
- 2 Click Control Panel.
- 3 Click on Hardware and Sound (in Category View).
- 4 Click Autoplay. The window will look something like this

Choose what happens when you insert each type of media or device

Use AutoPlay for all media and devices

Removable drives

 Removable drive

Choose a default


Choose what to do with each type of media

 Pictures

Choose a default

 Videos

Choose a default

 Music

Choose a default

 Mixed content

Choose a default

- 5 **Deselect** *Use Autoplay for all media and devices*.
- 6 Click Save and close all windows.