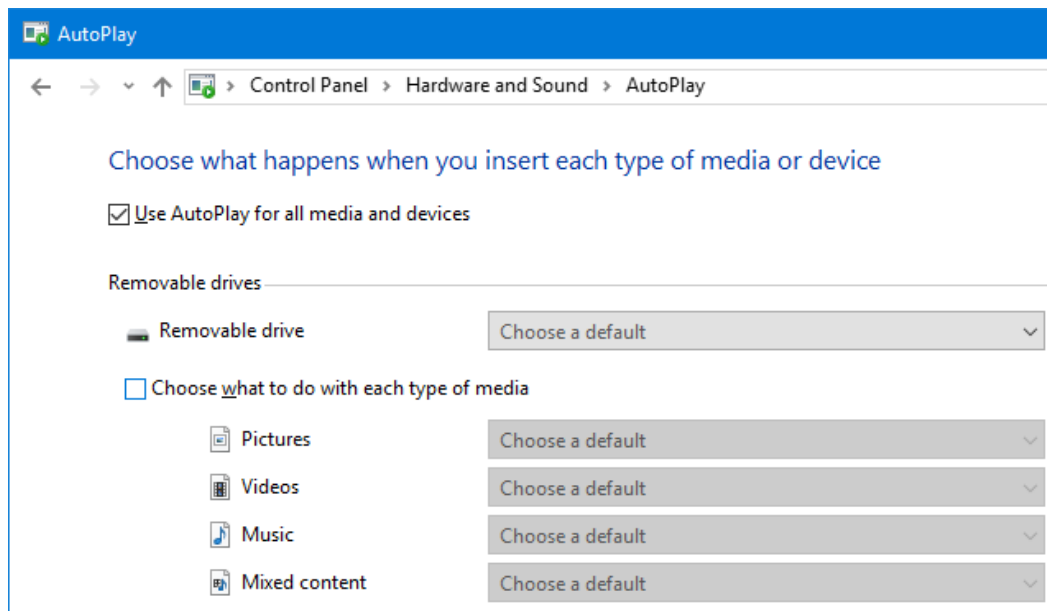# HOW TO CHANGE YOUR AUTOPLAY DEFAULTS

Does your PC automatically open the folder when you plug in a USB drive? Does it auto-play a DVD as soon as it's popped in? Well, you can change all that behavior and much more. This is called **AutoPlay**, and Windows 10 lets you customize it to your heart's content. Here's the easy option:

1. Go to **Start** > **Settings** > **Devices** (or use the keyboard short **Windows key + I** and choose **Devices**).
2. Click **AutoPlay** in the pane on the left.
3. Choose the default action when a **removable drive** is plugged in.
4. Choose the default action when a **memory card** is plugged in.

Note the shortcut to changing **Default app settings** at the bottom.

However, you can get much more control over your autoplay settings through the Control Panel, if you so desire. Right-click Start button, open **Control Panel**, and go to **Programs** > **Default Programs** > **Change AutoPlay Settings**.

Here, you can choose default actions for each type of file on a removable drive (like photos, music, video, and such), for each type of DVD, CD, and Blu-Ray disc you insert, as well as other types of devices you connect. Like with default apps, you get much better, specific control over elements here, so make sure you know what you're doing.

If nothing else, you should definitely change what Windows does for flash drives, since auto-running files from flash or thumb drives is one of the easiest ways to get a malware infection.