

Vista x86 Installation

Installation Instructions

- Unzip nforce_vistax86RC1_english.zip
- Before installing Vista x86, you might find it convenient to place these driver files onto a CD, DVD, or USB flash drive.
- Continue Vista installation until complete.

Driver Installation Instructions

During the course of Vista installation, not all device drivers will be installed. The actual uninstalled device drivers will depend on which nForce system you have. Below is a list of the nForce platforms (by chipset, not marketing name), and a list of drivers not installed during Vista installation.

| | nForce4 Series | nForce 430/410 | nForce 500 Series |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Audio | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ |
| Network | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Legacy RAID | ✗ ⁽³⁾ | ✗ ⁽³⁾ | N/A |
| IDE Sata | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| SATA RAID | ✗ ⁽¹⁾ | ✗ ⁽¹⁾ | ✗ ⁽¹⁾ |
| SMBUS | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ |
| SMU | N/A | N/A | ✗ ⁽²⁾ |

Note 1: Already installed if used during the boot process; otherwise not installed during normal Vista software installation.

Note 2: SMU for nForce 500 Series may show up as an uninstalled device. Installation for this driver is not supported at this time.

Note 3: Installation instructions will be provided on an as-needed basis.

Individual Driver Installation Instructions

Uninstalled device drivers can be found by entering the device manager in the System option of Control Panel. Each uninstalled driver in device manager by a yellow “bang” (exclamation point!). To enter device manager to check for uninstalled drivers, follow these instructions:

- (1) Click “Start” → Control Panel
- (2) If you are not already viewing “Classic View,” switch to “Classic View” (upper left corner).
- (3) Click on “System”
- (4) Click on “Device Manager.”
- (5) In the Device Manager, each uninstalled device driver will appear with a yellow “!” next to it.

Instructions for installing drivers for each uninstalled device appear below.

Device: “MultiMedia Audio Controller”

- (1) Place the mouse on the “MultiMedia Audio Controller” device and right-click the mouse button.
- (2) Select “Update driver software.”
- (3) Select “Browse my computer for driver software.”
- (4) Make sure the “Include subdirectories” box is checked.
- (5) Insert the driver CD and click the “Browse” button.
- (6) Located the “Audio” folder in the driver CD. Select the “Audio” folder using the left mouse button.
- (7) Click “Next.”
- (8) If you get a message indicating that the publisher could not be verified, click “Install.”
- (9) Your driver is now installed. Click “Close” and all of the audio devices in device manager will be filled in.

Device: “SM Bus Controller”

- (1) Place the mouse on the “SM Bus” device and right-click the mouse button.
- (2) Select “Update driver software.”
- (3) Select “Browse my computer for driver software.”
- (4) Make sure the “Include subdirectories” box is checked.
- (5) Insert the driver CD and click the “Browse” button.
- (6) Located the “SMBus” folder in the driver CD. Select the “SMBus” folder using the left mouse button.
- (7) Click “Next.”
- (8) If you get a message indicating that the publisher could not be verified, click “Install.”
- (9) Your driver is now installed. Click “Close.”

Device: “Coprocessor”

- (1) Place the mouse on the “Coprocessor” device and right-click the mouse button. This is the NVIDIA SMU device.
- (2) Select “Update driver software.”
- (3) Select “Browse my computer for driver software.”
- (4) Make sure the “Include subdirectories” box is checked.
- (5) Insert the driver CD and click the “Browse” button.
- (6) Located the “SMU” folder in the driver CD. Select the “SMU” folder using the left mouse button.
- (7) Click “Next.”
- (8) If you get a message indicating that the publisher could not be verified, click “Install.”
- (9) Your driver is now installed. Click “Close.”

Device: “Unknown Device”

- (1) Place the mouse on the “Unknown Device” device and right-click the mouse button. This “Unknown Device” is part of the RAID Controller.
- (2) Select “Update driver software.”
- (3) Select “Browse my computer for driver software.”
- (4) Make sure the “Include subdirectories” box is checked.
- (5) Insert the driver CD and click the “Browse” button.
- (6) Located the “IDE” folder on the driver CD. Select the “IDE” folder using the left mouse button.
- (7) If more than one driver appears, select the driver from `\ide\driver\sataraid\nvraid.inf`.
- (8) Click “Next.”
- (9) If you get a message indicating that the publisher could not be verified, click “Install.”
- (10) Your driver is now installed. Click “Close.”