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Important: Your PC will not be able to find these ports and you will not be able to use them until you do the following procedure.

To use the ports:

1. Click **Start** on the desktop and then click **Control Panel**.
2. Click **Performance and Maintenance**. You may have to scroll down to see this option.
3. Click the **System** icon.
4. Select the **Hardware** tab and then click the **Device Manager** button.
5. Click **+** (plus symbol) next to the Ports (COM & LPT) device.
6. Right-click the communications port, for example, Communications Port (COM1), and then click **Uninstall**.
7. When the Confirm Device Removal screen appears, click **OK**. If you have two ports, repeat steps 6 and 7.
8. Click the **Action** menu and then click **Scan for hardware changes**.

Your PC finds these ports and may label them with different numbers. The ports can now be used.

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Serial

Your HP Pavilion home PC comes with one or two serial (communications) ports. These ports allow data to be transferred from a serial device, such as a digital camera or a Personal Digital Assistant (PDA), to your PC.

Your equipment may use USB ports. Refer to the documentation that came with your equipment to determine which port is used.

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