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I have been investigating this joystick problem on Windows 7, solved it almost, and have found out the following:

Combat Flight Simulator files installed in "C:\Program Files (x86)\Combat Flight Simulator" cannot be modified by the application. Combat Flight Simulator tries to store the "CombatFS.CFG" in its installation folder and so can't. It then appears to create (or Windows 7 creates) a folder "C:\Users\accountname\AppData\Local\VirtualStore\Program Files (x86)\Combat Flight Simulator", and stores the CFG file there, along with other info. Hence if you copy a new CFG file to "C:\Program Files (x86)\Combat Flight Simulator", it won't do anything - you need to copy it to the VirtualStore folder as above.

The crucial data to add to the CFG file is all the data under [JOYSTICK_00] and [JOYSTICK_SLEW_00], down to the next [...].

One simple way of avoiding the VirtualStore folder is to install CFSim into a folder outside of the "C:\Program Files (x86)", e.g. "C:\Combat Flight Simulator". However, you still have to amend the CombatFS.cfg file.

I have a Microsoft Force Feedback 2 joystick. To install the drivers, I simply plugged the joystick into the USB port, and Windows found and installed drivers itself (no disc was used). The joystick works fine in Combat Flight Sim after amending the CombatFS.CFG file. The Joystick Test feature also works.

Finally, I have not solved:

Why Combat Flight Sim does not connect to the joystick itself, and

Why I get the message saying the joystick has changed to gobblygook.

However, the good news is that I can fly Spitfires around!

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PS - the reason Combat Flight Sim works OK if run under Admin privileges, after updating the CombatFS.CFG in "C:\Program Files (x86)\Combat Flight Simulator", is that the application CAN then update files in its application folder.

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I tried this fix above and followed the instruction very carefully. I did it over the phone with a logitech support guy. It did not work. Any ideas?

The Joystick is calibrated and the game is supposed to be compatible. The logitech guy thought it may be an issue with Vista.

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Ok so sorry for being a dumbass but when I save in notepad damned if I can save it as cfg, just keeps saving as txt.

Darn

stupid computers

someone throw me a bone here

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