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[Logitech Loses The Cables For A 5.1 Surround Sound System](#)

Logitech Z-5450 Digital 5.1 Speaker System



No more running cables or tripping over speaker wires. Logitech unveiled the world's first THX-certified 5.1 speaker system with digital wireless dual rear speakers. The new Logitech Z-5450 Digital speakers provide flexibility in setting up an instant surround-sound system. Each of the independent rear speakers can be placed anywhere within 8.5 meters (28 feet) of the speaker system control center, requiring only a power outlet. With THX-certification and 315 watts of power, these speakers help create a theater-quality movie watching experience and provide enough thump to help people feel like they're inside the game. The Logitech Z-5450 Digital system's two rear speakers each feature their own built-in wireless receiver and power amplifier. All each rear speaker needs is a power outlet. Other wireless systems on the market use a single wireless receiver for the back of the room with speaker cable running out to each of the two rear speakers - creating more clutter than Logitech's design. Its breakthrough design allows the Z-5450 Digital speaker system to be installed quickly and easily in virtually any room configuration. The Logitech Z-5450 Digital system uses digital 2.4 GHz wireless technology, with adaptive frequency hopping, to minimize any chance of interference. Any potential performance problems due to interference are virtually eliminated due to the fact that the system intelligently sends redundant wireless transmissions to each rear satellite; if one data stream is lost, a second identical stream is captured. And the Logitech dual wireless speaker solution has very low latency, less than 20 milliseconds, which is imperceptible to the human ear. The speakers also come with the Digital SoundTouch Control Center, which serves as a wireless control center and digital decoder, and provides people with a convenient backlit LCD, making it easy to configure the system for ideal listening settings. The Logitech Z-5450 Digital speakers decode a broad range of formats, including Dolby Digital, DTS, and DTS 96/24. The Logitech Z-5450 Digital speakers will be available in the U.S. beginning in September for a suggested retail price of \$499.99. Logitech also extended its Z-series family of speakers to include the new Logitech Z-4 speaker system: an affordable and stylish 2.1 system with a new three-driver satellite design that delivers great performance for listening to digital music on a computer or a portable music player. This week, Softpedia News enters the Battle of Browsers. Which do you think is the best browser? [Vote for your favorite browser.](#)