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Writing Secure Code
for Windows Vista
Microsoft

[Securing Code for Windows Vista](#)

Free book from Microsoft

Following the release of what Microsoft has always considered the most secure version of the Windows client to date, and with the threat environment suffering a consistent shift to third-party applications designed to run on top of the platform, the Redmond company emphasized the need for developers to [secure their code](#).

However, the software giant is willing to support them, when it comes down to securing the code of applications running on top of Windows Vista. The latest initiative, in this regard, is offering the "Writing Secure Code for Windows Vista" book, authored by Microsoft security gurus Michael Howard and David LeBlanc as a [free download](#).

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Obviously, the book is designed to help developers improve the quality of their code in the context of Windows Vista. According to the description, a good understanding of the fundamentals of Windows programming and application programming interfaces will aid them to better grasp the content.

"Code-quality - and [security](#) is a subset of quality - is critically important in the field of software. In fact, nothing is more important than code quality, with the possible exception of good design. In Windows Vista, we spent a great deal of time reducing the chance that developers will inject new security bugs into the operating system, as well as finding bugs and removing them from the codebase," an excerpt from the book written by Howard and David LeBlanc, a senior software development engineer at Microsoft, reads.