

## April 2026 – Has Your Smart TV Gotten Sluggish? Here's How to Speed It Back Up

*Sometimes, a Smart TV can become slow or even start to freeze when you use it. When this happens, there are a few simple steps that you can try to improve its speed.*

Try these simple steps provided by Wirecutter:

**1. Fully restart your TV.** Keep in mind that your smart TV is a computer, and computers often benefit from being turned off for a few minutes. However, powering of your TV still leaves it connected to the internet, and there are processes running in the background for the apps that you use. Therefore, you should unplug the TV for 10-15 minutes.

**2. Uninstall unused apps.** The more storage space your TV has available the better it will operate. For most smart TVs, the uninstall process requires simply navigating to the app on the home screen, long-pressing on it, and selecting Remove or Uninstall.

If these tips don't work, and your TV is in the 5-year-plus range, consider a replacement.