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Repair or Replace? When an Older Computer Is Worth Fixing

A slow or struggling computer isn't always a dying one; often it's a single failing part, not the whole machine. This guide covers the signs it's usually worth repairing, the signs it's time to replace, and why a free diagnostic is worth getting before you decide either way.

It's rarely the whole computer

A slow or struggling computer usually has one specific cause.

Slow doesn't mean dying
A buildup of startup programs, a full drive, or one failing part can all look the same from the outside.

Often it's one part
A failing hard drive, a worn battery, or a cracked screen; usually fixable, often for less than a new computer.

How you use it matters too
A computer that's fine for email and browsing may not be fine for newer software.

Step by step

REPAIR OR REPLACE?

? Worth fixing, or time for a new one?

An old computer running slow isn't always a dying one; often it's one part, not the whole machine.

WHAT TO DO
We're Naples Computers, since 1993.



WORTH FIXING

Signs it's usually worth fixing

A single failing part on an otherwise solid computer: a drive, a battery, a screen, or just years of buildup.

WHAT TO DO

These are some of the most common repairs, and they often make an older computer feel new again.



One part, not the whole computer

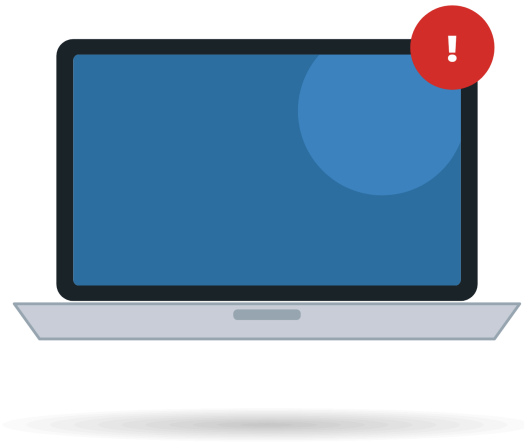
TIME TO REPLACE

Signs it's time to replace

Repeated hardware failures, or software and updates it simply can't run anymore.

WHAT TO DO

When the list of what's wrong keeps growing, a new computer usually makes more sense.



When the list keeps growing

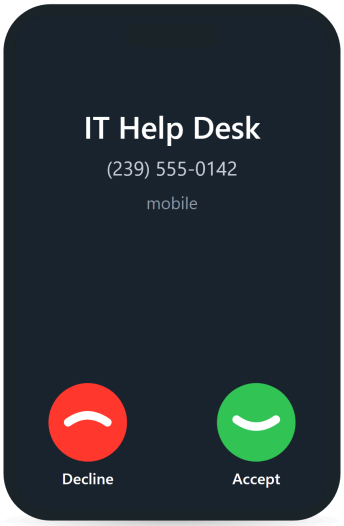
EITHER WAY

Get a free diagnostic before deciding

A real look at what's actually wrong, before you spend anything, so you're deciding with facts, not guesses.

WHAT TO DO

If it's replaced instead, we'll help move your files over to the new one.



Find out before you decide

A few tips

- [ ] Back up what matters, either way
  Worth doing before a repair or a replacement, just in case
- [ ] Ask what the repair actually involves
  A clear explanation before any work starts, not just a yes or no
- [ ] Recycle an old computer responsibly
  Don't just toss it; donation and recycling options exist for devices that have reached the end

Recap: repair or replace

- [ ] Slow doesn't always mean dying; it's often one part
- [ ] A free diagnostic tells you which, before you spend anything
- [ ] Repeated failures or software it can't run point toward replacing
- [ ] Recycle or donate an old computer responsibly

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