

# How to Disable Fast Startup on Windows

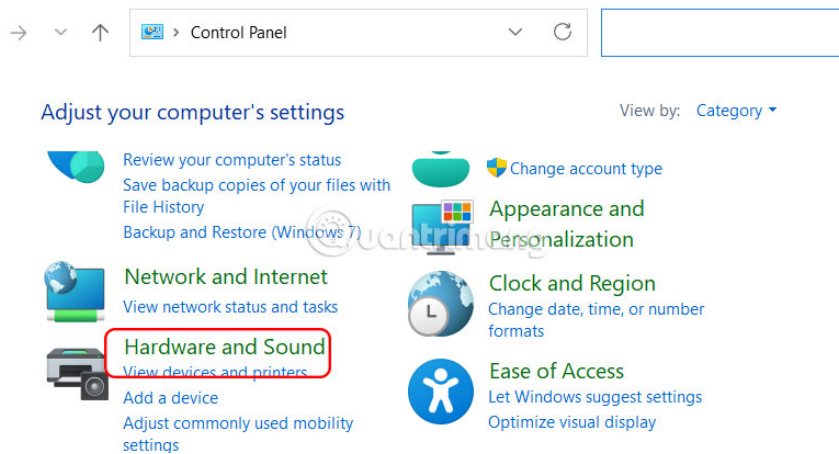
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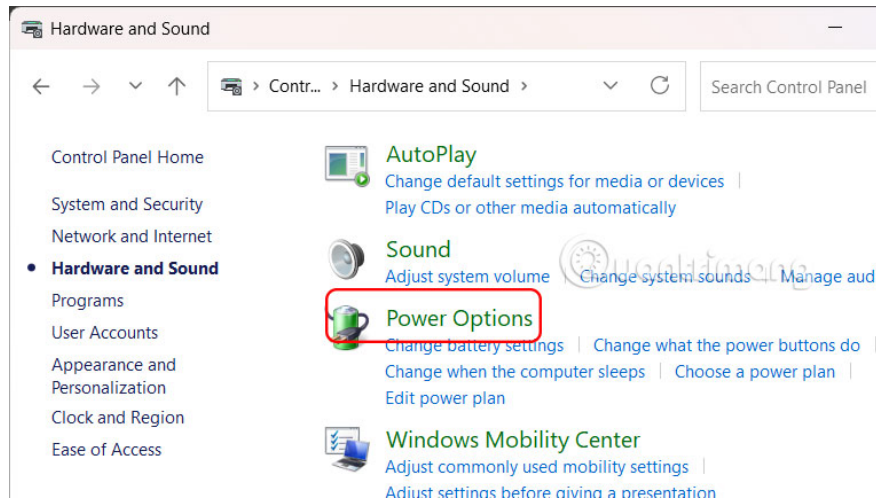
## How to disable Fast Startup Windows 11 feature

### Step 1:

Open Control Panel on your computer and click **Hardware and Sound** .

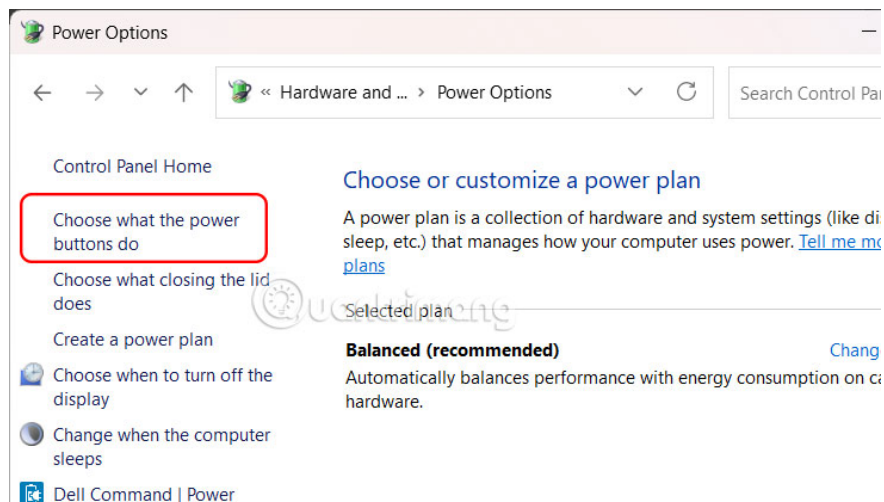


Next, click **Power Options** .



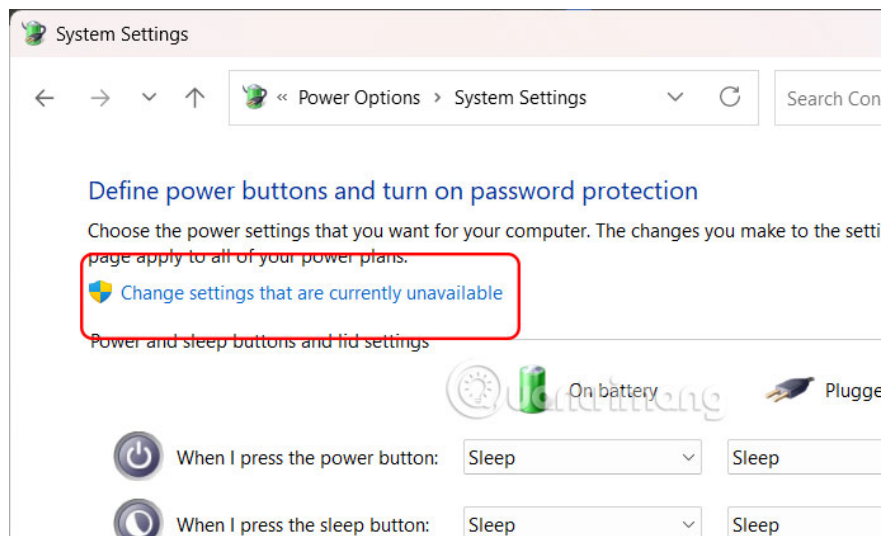
## Step 2:

In the new interface, users click on **Choose what the power buttons do**.



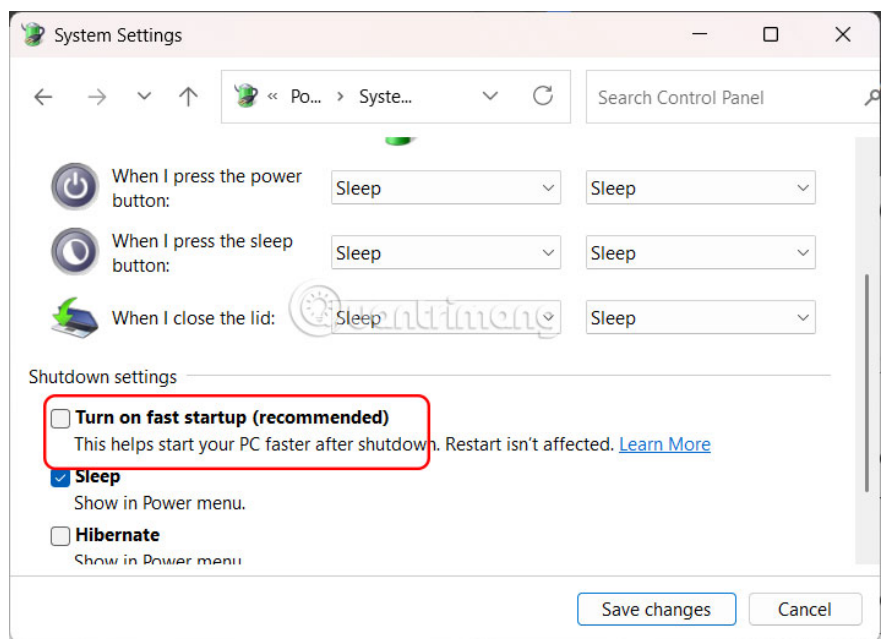
## Step 3:

We click on **Change settings that are currently unavailable** above the interface.



Now below the options display, we will **turn off the Turn on fast startup (recommended) setting** in the Shutdown settings section.

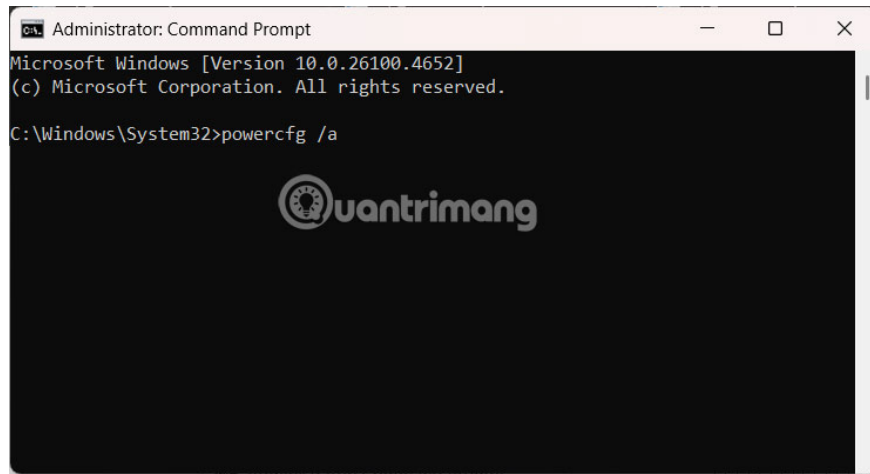
Finally, **click Save changes** to save the new settings.



#### Step 4:

Open **Command Prompt with Admin rights** on your computer and enter the command below to check if Fast Startup is turned off or not.

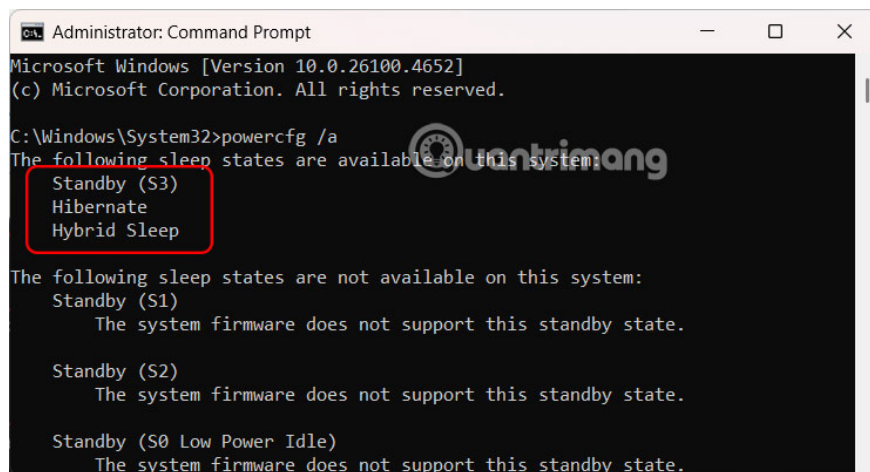
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powercfg /a
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Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.26100.4652]
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C:\Windows\System32>powercfg /a
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If you see a list of available sleep states displayed on a computer without Fast Startup, then the feature is completely disabled.



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C:\Windows\System32>powercfg /a
The following sleep states are available on this system:
Standby (S3)
Hibernate
Hybrid Sleep

The following sleep states are not available on this system:
Standby (S1)
    The system firmware does not support this standby state.

Standby (S2)
    The system firmware does not support this standby state.

Standby (S0 Low Power Idle)
    The system firmware does not support this standby state.
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If your computer uses an SSD, you should disable Fast Startup. Since SSDs are already very fast to boot up, disabling Fast Startup can help ensure a clean shutdown and avoid potential driver or update issues.

On the other hand, if your computer still uses HDD, turn on Fast Startup mode to speed up computer startup.

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