

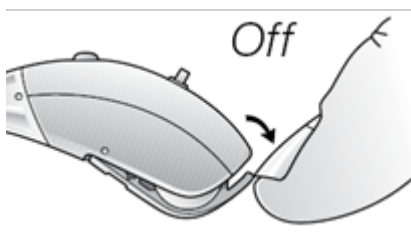
# Helping your battery last longer

This leaflet is about making your battery last and fixing problems with your hearing aid

## How to make your battery last longer?



If you leave your batteries switched on, they will run out quickly.



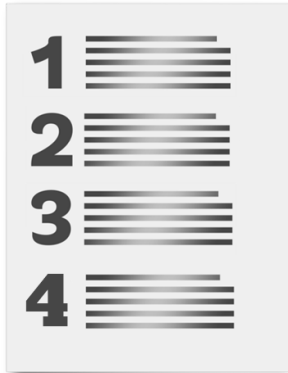
If you turn them off, they will last longer.



There are other ways to help them to last longer too.

## Here are some tips

Before changing the battery in your hearing aid:

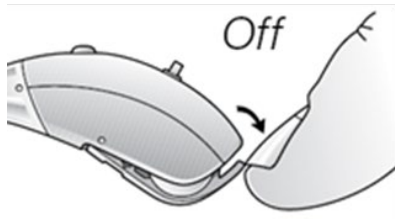


1. Wash your hands. Grease or dirt can make your battery run out quicker.

2. Choose your oldest batteries first.

3. Remove the sticker.

4. Leave the battery with the sticker off for 5 minutes. This can make your battery last 2 to 4 days longer.



When you are not using the hearing aid turn it off. Do this by opening the battery holder.

This stops the battery being used. It also adds air.

Keep your batteries in a dry, cool place. Or at room temperature.

## Fixing common problems

### If your hearing aid is not working:



- Check the battery is in properly.
- Try putting in a new battery.
- Check the **earmould** is not blocked with wax.
- Check for water in the tubing.
- Check that the tubing is not twisted, squashed or split.
- If your hearing has a **programme button**, turn the aid off and then back on.

### If your hearing aid is whistling or buzzing when you are wearing it check:



- If the **earmould** is in your ear fully.
- You might have too much wax in your ears. Ask your doctor to check.
- If you have a Telecoil programme. Turn the aid off and then back on again.



If you are still having problems after checking your hearing aid, please contact **Audiology**. These are the health workers who gave you your hearing aid.