

# Dryer Not Heating: 2026 Troubleshooting Guide

What to check first and when to call a pro, from Capital Appliance Repair Winnipeg

## Check these first (safe and free)

### 1 Cycle and heat setting

Rule out air dry, fluff, or eco. Run a normal timed dry on medium or high heat.

### 2 Clean the lint screen

A clogged filter chokes airflow and kills heat. Clear it before every load.

### 3 Reset both breakers

An electric dryer needs a full 240V. A half-tripped double breaker stops the heat.

### 4 Test the exterior vent airflow

Feel for strong warm air outside on high heat. Weak air means a clogged vent.

## Leave these to a technician

### 1 Heating element or thermostat

Needs a multimeter and cabinet access. Unplug before inspecting.

### 2 Thermal fuse or cut-off

Replace, do not reset, and always clear the vent at the same time.

### 3 Any gas dryer no-heat fault

Igniter, valve coils, and gas line work require a licensed pro.

## Repair or replace?

### 1 Under 10 years and repair is cheap

If the fix is under half a new dryer's price, repair.

### 2 Older unit with a failed control board

Replacement often makes more sense.

### 3 Repeat fuse failures

Usually an airflow problem; fix the vent to stop it recurring.

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