

Video Companion: Speed Up or Slow Down the Speed of a Clip

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Video Summary

Learn how to speed up or slow down the speed of a clip.

Why use Clip Speed:

- ▶ Keep your audience engaged by speeding up long or tedious processes
- ▶ Emphasize or de-emphasize the passing of time
- ▶ Adjust clips to fit seamlessly on your timeline

Apply Clip Speed:

Select Clip Speed from the Video FX tab, drag it to the timeline, and drop it onto your media clip.

Adjust Clip Speed on the timeline:

1. Open the FX drawer by clicking on the triangle at the bottom of the clip.
2. Move your cursor to the clock on either end of the clip, and click and drag the end to adjust the speed.

Adjust Clip Speed in the properties pane (percentage):

1. Open the properties pane by clicking on the Properties button and make sure you're in the Basic Properties and Effects tab.
2. In the Clip Speed properties section, adjust the percentage to change the speed of the clip.
3. Press the Tab or Return key on your keyboard to apply the change.

Notes:

Adjust Clip Speed in the properties pane (manually):

1. In the properties pane, manually enter the desired duration.
2. Press the Tab or Return key on your keyboard to apply the change.

Tips:

- ▶ When syncing up audio and video clips, you can use Clip Speed to align significant points and fill in gaps in the video instead of using extend frame.
- ▶ You can't extend a clip *into* another clip on the same track. If you enter a speed or duration that would cause the clip to run into another, it fills the available space, but that's it.
- ▶ Camtasia preserves the pitch of audio that has had its speed changed. If you speed up the audio track by 350% or more (or slow it down more than 10%), it goes mute, as indicated by a grayed-out waveform.