



HP Pavilion 14-b015dx Hard Drive Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

In this guide, you will find the necessary steps to remove the hard drive in an HP Pavilion 14-b015dx laptop. This is useful for increasing storage on your laptop or if your storage device is faulty.

Signs of a faulty hard drive can include frequent error messages or system crashes, strange sounds, slow performance, overheating, and corrupted data, files, and folders.

This guide requires the removal of the keyboard and the top case of the laptop. Before starting this process, the laptop must be unplugged and powered off completely.


TOOLS:

[iFixit Opening Tool](#) (1)

[Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)

Step 1 — Battery



 Make sure the computer is completely powered down and unplug the power cord.

Step 2



- Place the device on your work surface with bottom facing up and the battery located at the top.

Step 3



- Slide the left release tab toward the center of the computer to the unlock position. Next slid the right tab toward the center of the computer and hold it there while completing step 4.

Step 4



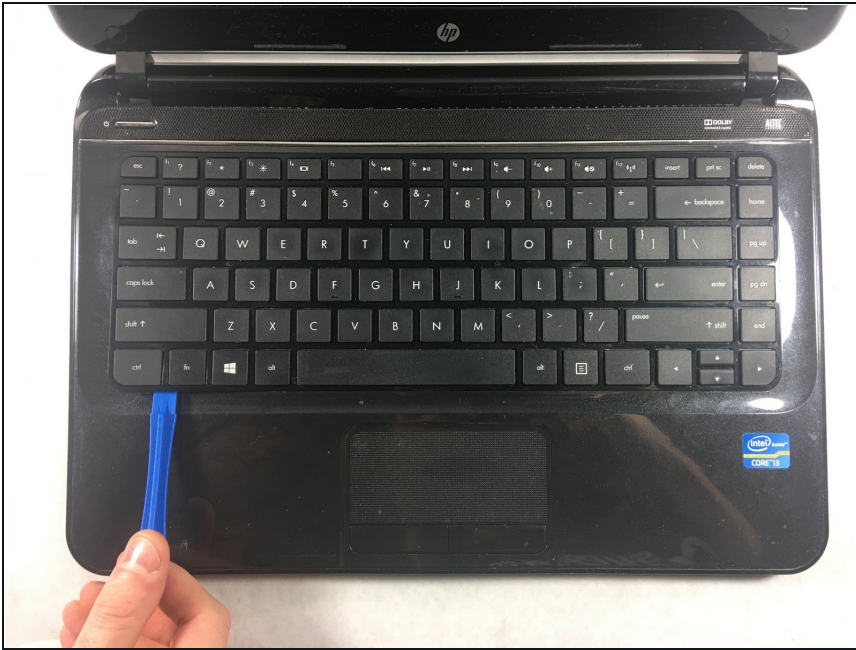
- Remove the battery by sliding it upwards and away from the computer.

Step 5 — Keyboard



- Unscrew the ten 6.0 mm Philips head screws on the base of the device with a Phillips #0 head screwdriver.

Step 6



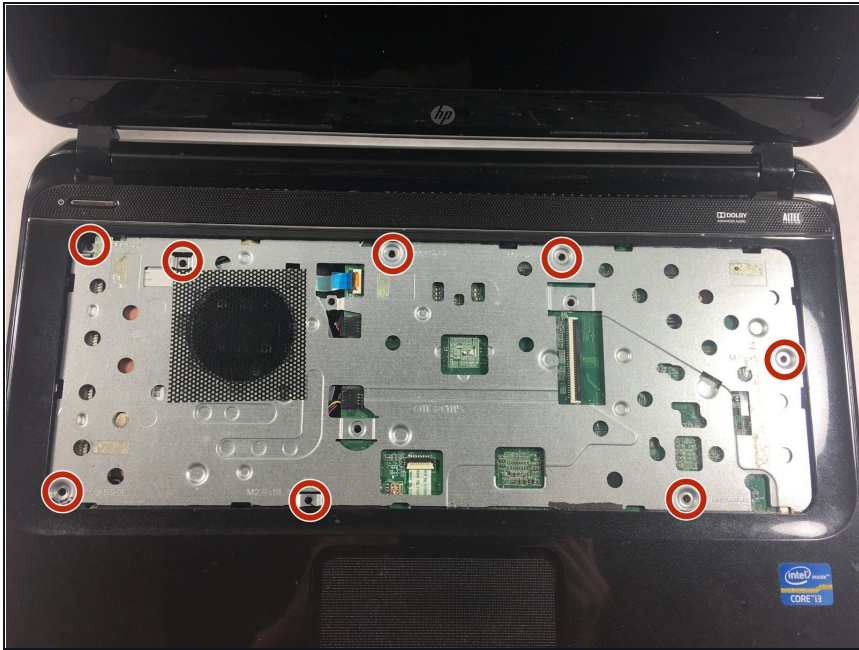
- Insert the plastic opening tool between the keyboard and the plastic housing.
 - Pry the keyboard upward away from the device.
 - Move the tool around the edge of the entire keyboard while continuing to pry.
- ❗ You will hear the clips pop once you have released them.

Step 7



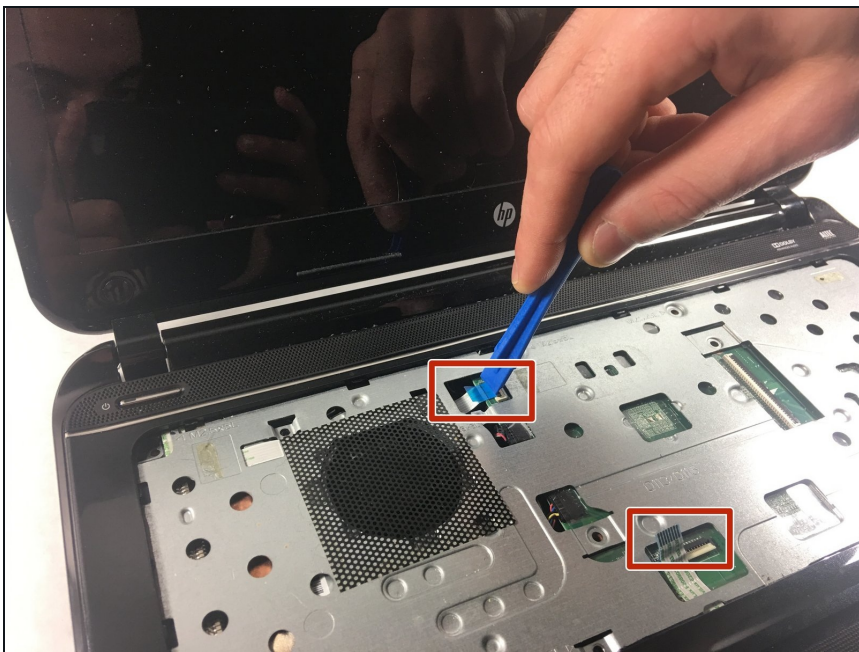
- Once you have released all of the clips, slowly lift the keyboard exposing the ribbon cable.
- Lift the tab on the keyboard ZIF connector with a plastic opening tool and gently remove the ribbon cable.

Step 8 — Palm Rest



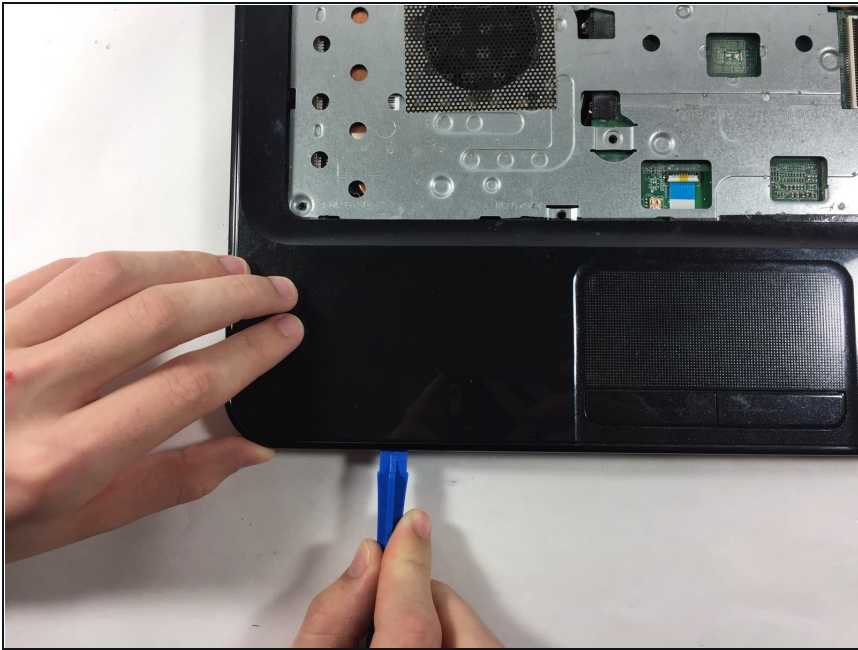
- Remove the eight 6.0 mm screws located under the keyboard with your Philips #0 screwdriver.

Step 9



- Remove the track pad and power button ribbon cables.
- Lift the locking bar on each connector with a plastic opening tool and gently remove the ribbon cables

Step 10



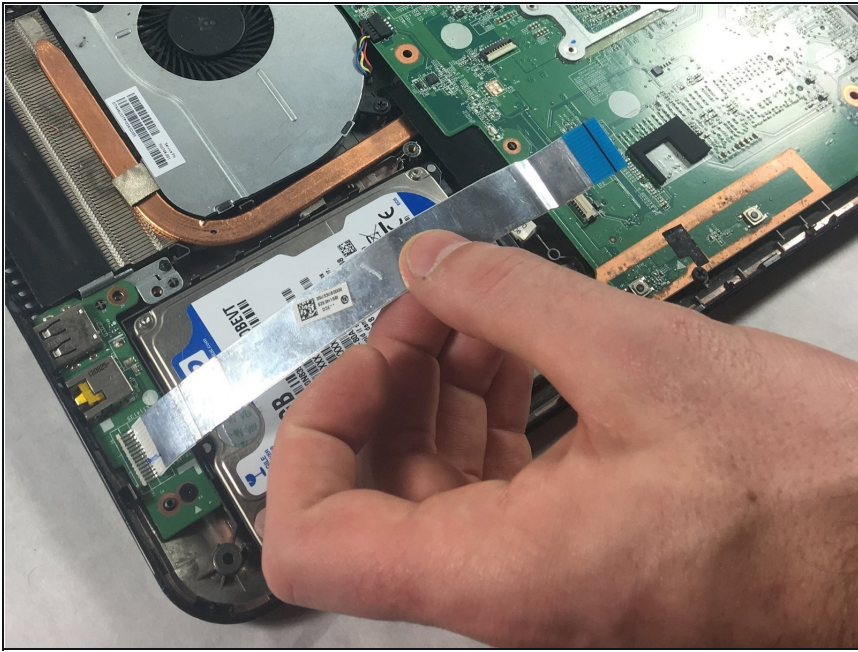
- To remove the palm rest, insert the plastic opening tool in the seam between the palm rest and the base.
- Pry upward to undo each clip.
- ① Continue this process around the entire palm rest.

Step 11



- Once all clips have been undone lift the palm rest away from the laptop.

Step 12 — Hard Drive



- Gently unhook the ribbon cable blocking the hard drive by lifting the locking bar with a plastic opening tool.

Step 13



- Remove the 2 screws securing the hard drive
- Lift the hard drive up and remove the connector on the end using the blue opening tool.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.

