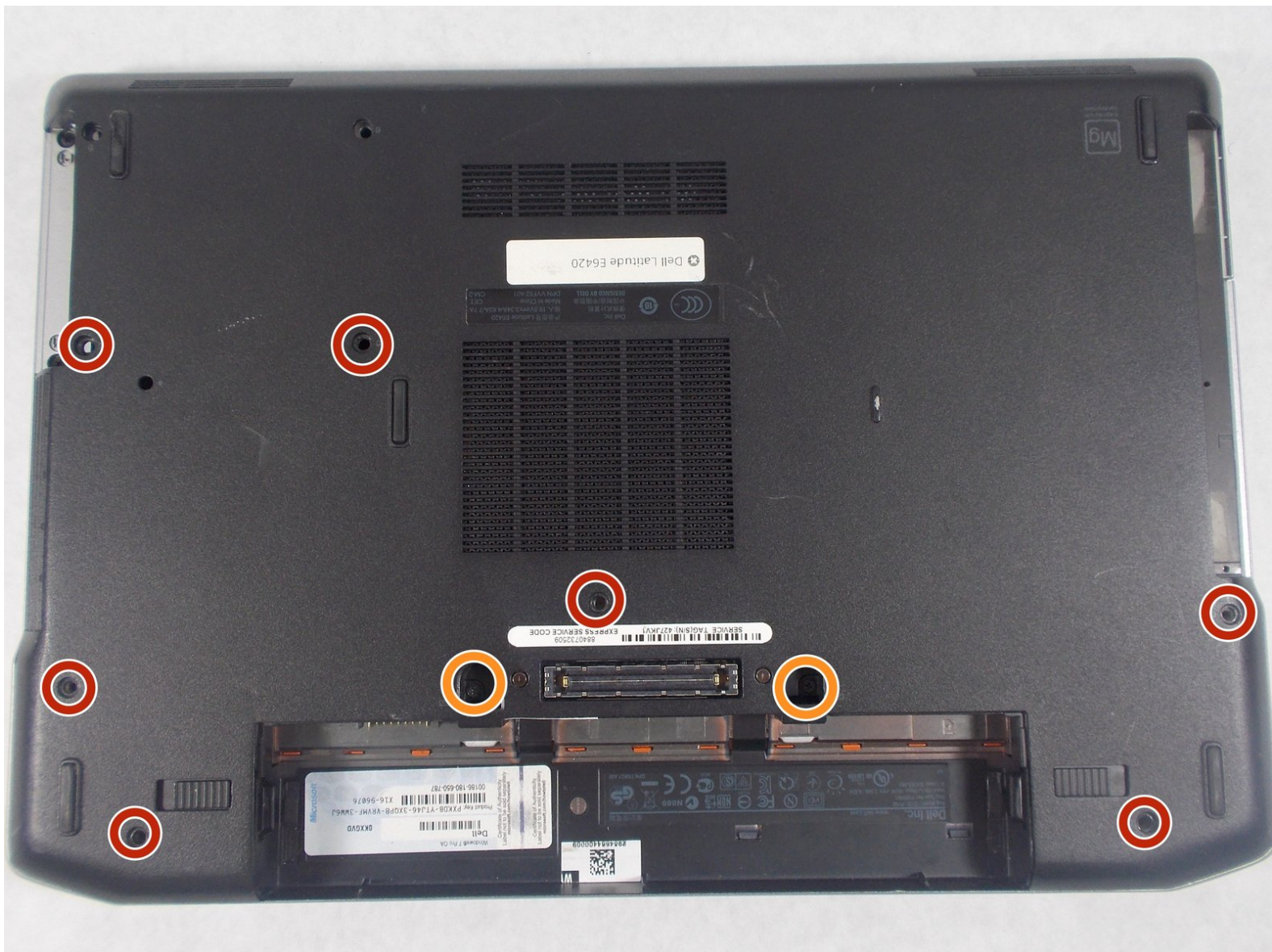# Dell Latitude E6420 Backplate Replacement

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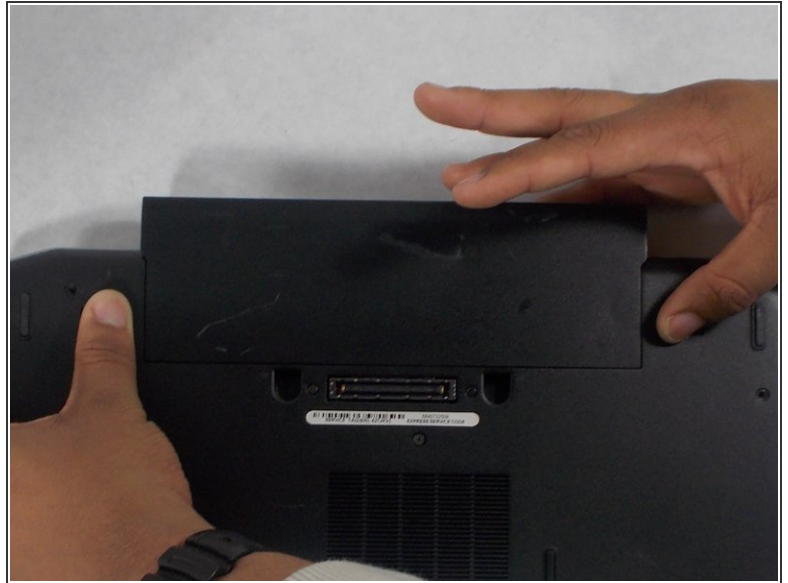
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INTRODUCTION

The backplate can crack and expose the hardware it protects. This guide will show the user how to replace the backplate.

🔧 TOOLS:

- Phillips #00 Screwdriver (1)
- Phillips #1 Screwdriver (1)

Step 1 — Battery

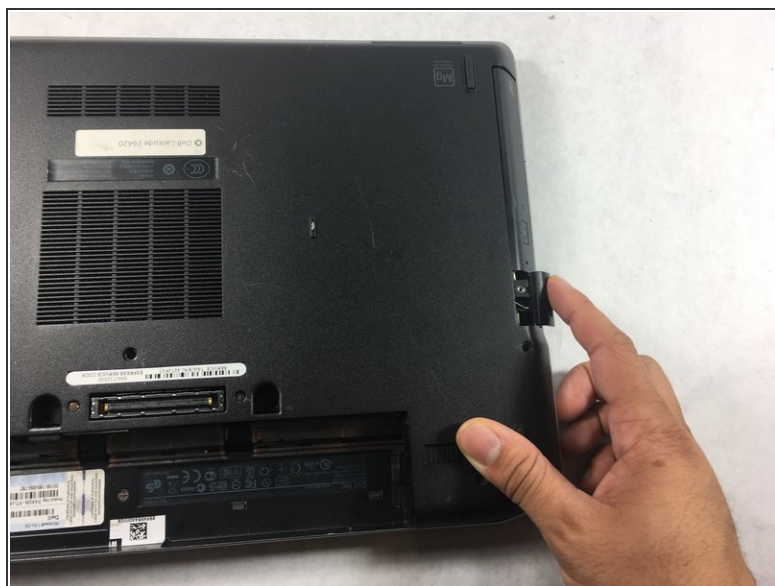- Push the tabs on the left and right of the battery out towards the edge of the case.

Step 2

- While still pushing in the tabs, using your pinky finger, lift the battery out of the laptop.

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Step 3 — CD/DVD Drive

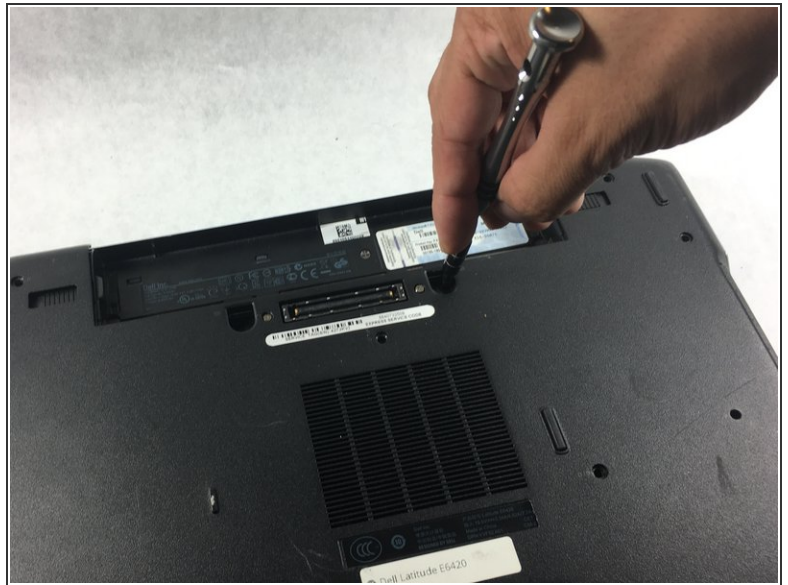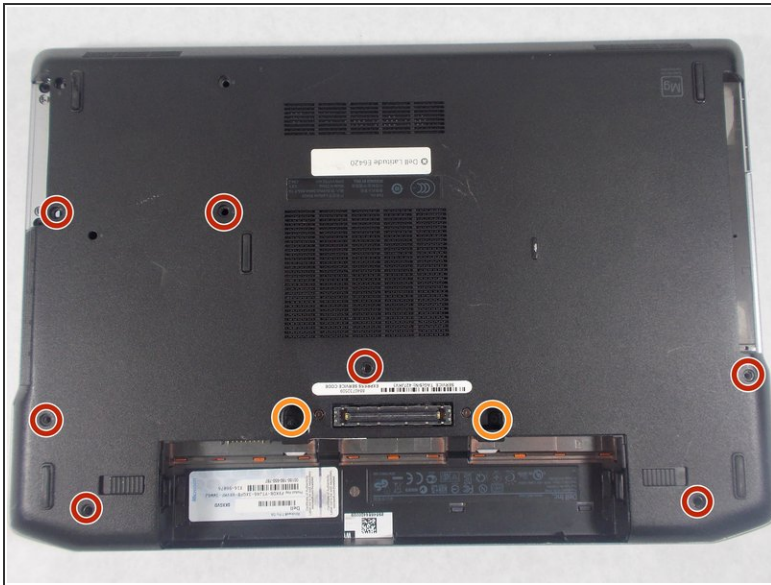- Push the button in on the CD/DVD drive to eject the drive.
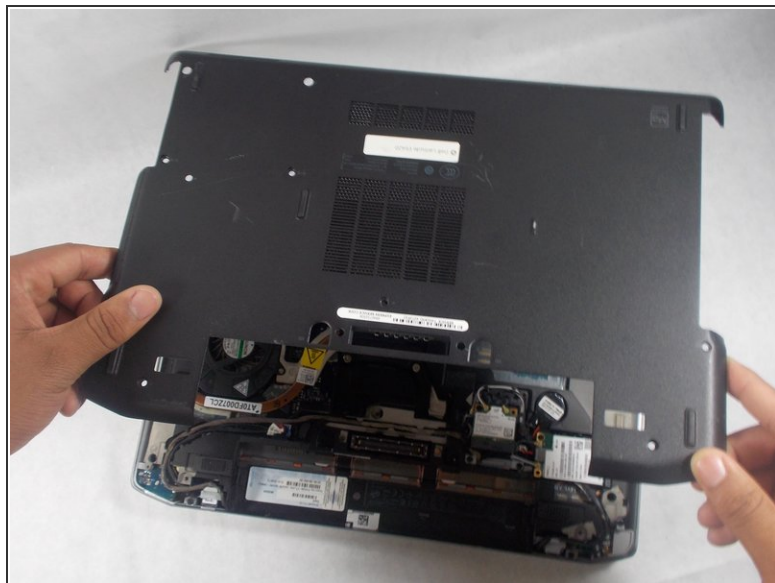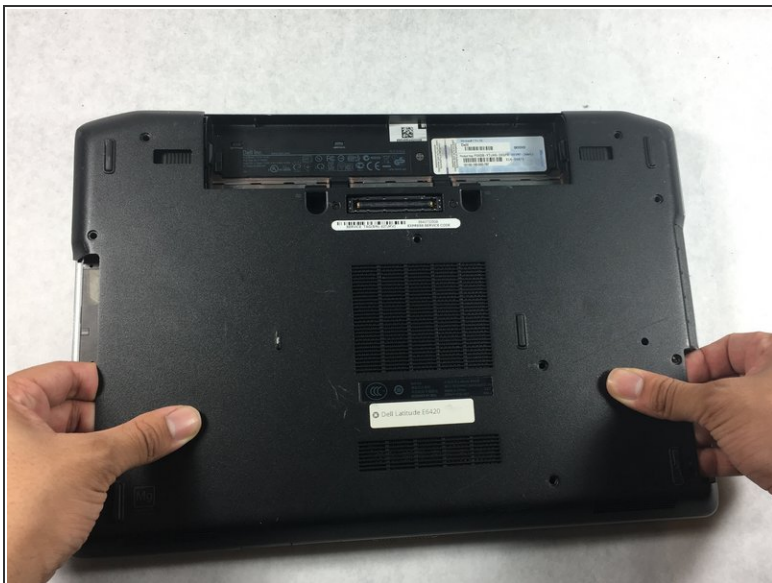
Step 4

- Slide the drive out of the laptop.

⚠️ When removing the drive, keep it flat to prevent damage to anything inside the laptop.

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Step 5 — Backplate

- Using the screwdriver, remove seven 4mm Phillips #1 screws from the bottom of the laptop.

- Using the screwdriver, remove two 9mm Phillips #00 screws from the bottom of the laptop.

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Step 6

- Gently lift the back plate off of the laptop making sure all of the tabs on the inside perimeter of the back plate are unhooked before lifting.

- ⚠ Be careful when removing the backplate. Lifting the backplate while the tabs are still hooked in will result in broken tabs.

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

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