

# Lenovo ThinkPad T420s LCD Replacement

If your screen is damaged or not working...

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## **INTRODUCTION**

If your screen is damaged or not working properly, you can use this guide to replace the LCD unit on your laptop.

# 🖌 TOOLS:

Metal Spudger (1) Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)

## Step 1 — Keyboard



- Flip your laptop over so the bottom is facing up.
- Remove the memory panel by removing two black 5mm screws using the Phillips #0.
- Remove the memory panel.



- Remove the two 5mm screw using the Phillips #0 screwdriver.
- Flip the laptop back over and open it.

#### Step 3



• Gently push down on the keyboard and slide it towards the screen. This will pop the bottom of the keyboard out of the casing.

(i) The best place to push is on the frame of the keyboard by the power button.

• Using the metal spudger, lift and slide out the keyboard.

A When lifting the keyboard do not remove it completely because a cable will still be connected to the laptop.



• Remove the orange cable by lifting up on the tab on the end of the ribbon connection.

#### Step 5 — Palm Rest

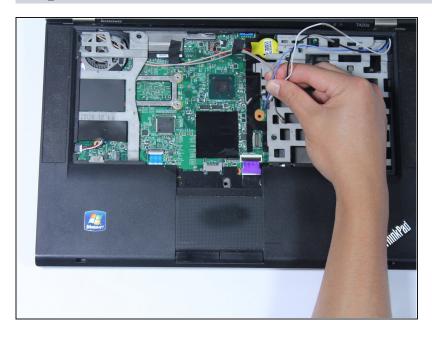


- Remove the additional thirteen
  5 mm screws with your Phillips
  #0 screwdriver.
- Remove the two 2.5 X 5 mm screws from the back of your laptop.
- (i) 2.5 X 5 mm screws are slightly larger than the 5 mm screws.
- Remove the 3 mm screw from the back of the laptop using the same screwdriver.



- Disconnect the black and gray antenna cable connectors in the memory panel on the back of the laptop.
- Remove any plastic wraps on the blue, white, and tan wires.

## Step 7



• Flip the laptop back over and pull all the wires from the previous step through to the top side.



• Remove the three 5mm screws holding the palm rest casing in place using the Phillips #0.

# Step 9



• Unplug the red, white, and blue bunch of wires.



• Lift up the black retaining flap holding the purple ribbon cable in place, and carefully slide out the ribbon.

## Step 11



- Remove the top casing by lifting up and sliding out.
- A Be careful when sliding the casing out as some of the casing is still underneath the screen; some wiggling may be required, but do not force it.

#### Step 12 — LCD



• Unplug the two black cables that connect the screen to the motherboard.

## Step 13



- Flip your laptop so the back-side is facing towards you.
- Remove any black stickers covering the screws using the nylon or metal spudger.
- Remove the two 7mm screws using the Phillips #0 screwdriver.



• Remove the LCD screen unit by holding the sides and lifting it upwards.

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