

Cuisinart DFP-14BCN Capacitor Replacement

Replace your faulty capacitor to get your blades spinning fast again.

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INTRODUCTION

Replacing your faulty capacitor will bring power back to your motor, allowing the blades to spin. The Cuisinart DFP-14BCN has two capacitors, so these steps may be followed to remove each one. To remove and replace your capacitor, you will need to use a soldering iron. Check out this <u>soldering</u> <u>guide</u> for instructions.

Capacitors are potentially dangerous. Be sure to discharge each capacitor before conducting this repair, and follow all safety guidelines found here: <u>Watch out for Large Capacitors</u>.

TOOLS:

- Phillips #2 Screwdriver (1)
- Portable Soldering Iron (1)

Step 1 — Bowl



- (i) Unplug your food processor before starting any disassembly.
- Remove the small pusher by rotating it clockwise and lifting up.

Step 2



- Remove the large pusher by grabbing its sides and pulling up.
- (i) There may be a clicking sound from the safety feature being disengaged in this step.



• Remove the lid from the bowl by turning it clockwise and lifting.

Step 4



• Take out the blades by grabbing the plastic center piece and lifting up.

Avoid contact with blades as they are extremely sharp.

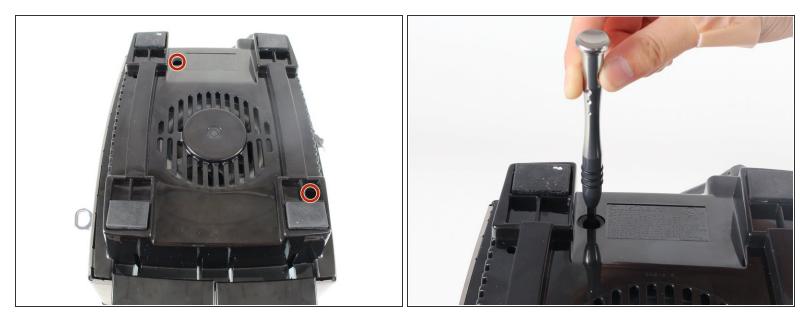


- Position the handle of the bowl so that it is on your left.
- Grab the handle and push clockwise. Lift up the bowl to remove it.

Step 6 — Back Casing



- Turn the food processor's base upside down by lifting it up and turning it over.
- Position the base so that the on and pulse buttons are facing you.
- Place the base on top of the food processor's bowl to keep the base from wobbling while you work on it.

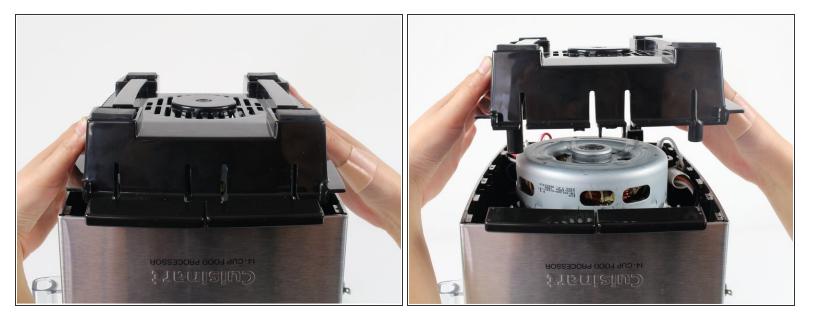


• Remove the two 13.0mm screws that hold down the casing with a Phillips #2 screwdriver.

Step 8

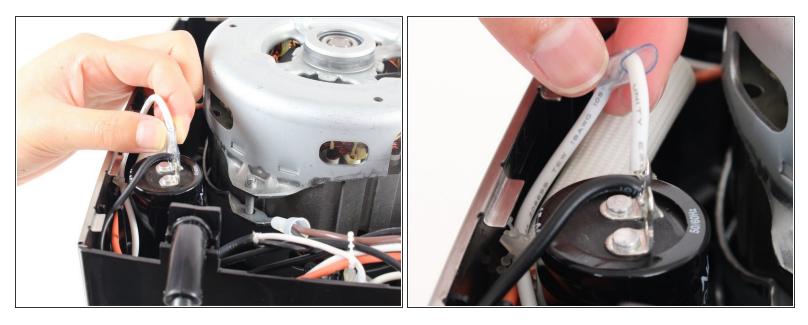


- Lift up the front left and the back right rubber feet by pulling back the rubber with your fingers.
- Remove the 13.0mm screw under each rubber foot with a Phillips #2 screwdriver.



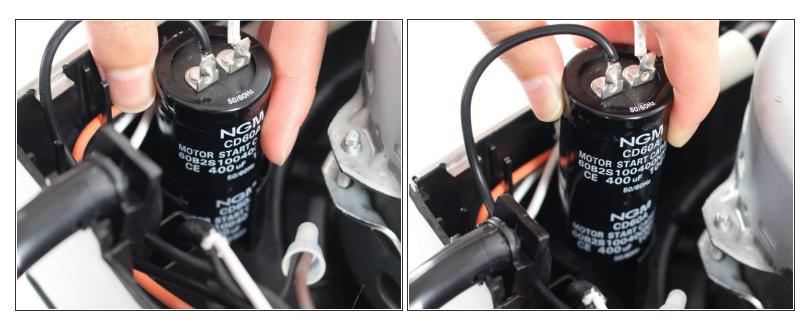
• Lift off the back casing by raising it upward.

Step 10 — Capacitor



Caution: Be careful not to touch the capacitor wires as you work. If possible, use a <u>capacitor</u> <u>discharge probe</u> to safely rid the capacitors of dangerous charges.

- Orient the base of the processor so that the power cord is facing you.
- Locate the capacitor that you need to replace. The capacitor looks like a black cylindrical battery.
- (i) There are two capacitors in the device, but these steps refer to replacing the leftmost capacitor.
- Slide the plastic covering off of the white wire connection on the top of the capacitor by pulling gently.



• Lift the capacitor out of the plastic casing by pulling up.



Step 12

- Remove the capacitor by desoldering the white and black wire from the capacitor with a soldering iron.
- Check out this <u>soldering guide</u> if you need help.
- For reassembly, the new capacitor's connections will have to be soldered together.

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