



Dell Inspiron 11z-1121 Keyboard Replacement

This guide will give instructions on how to replace a keyboard.

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INTRODUCTION

This guide is going to teach users how to remove and replace the keyboard on a Dell Inspiron 11z-1121. Sometimes the keys on a keyboard may become unresponsive; this guide is a useful tool that can be used to fix the problem.



TOOLS:

- [iFixit Opening Tools](#) (1)
 - [Phillips #1 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Battery



- Slide the latches outward to release the battery.
 - Pull the battery outward to remove.
- i** The latches should lock in place, allowing for easy removal.
- !** The battery must be removed for safety reasons when replacing other components of the laptop.

Step 2 — Keyboard



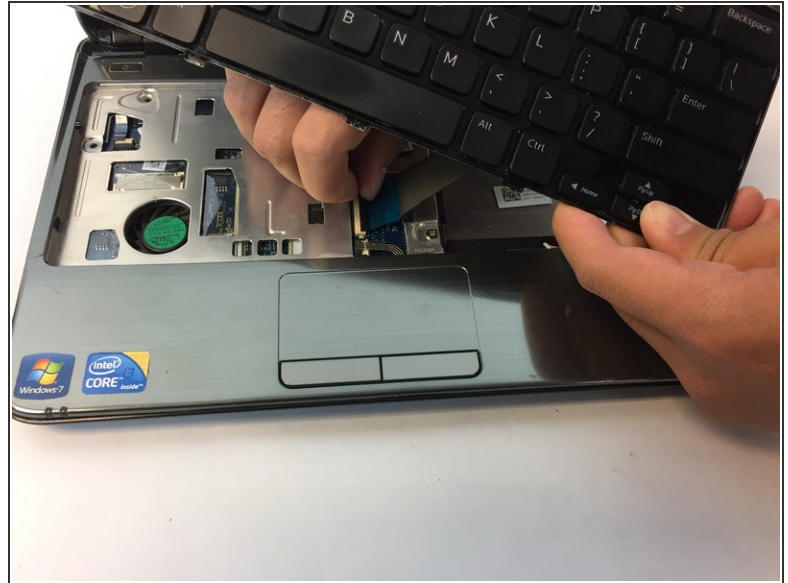
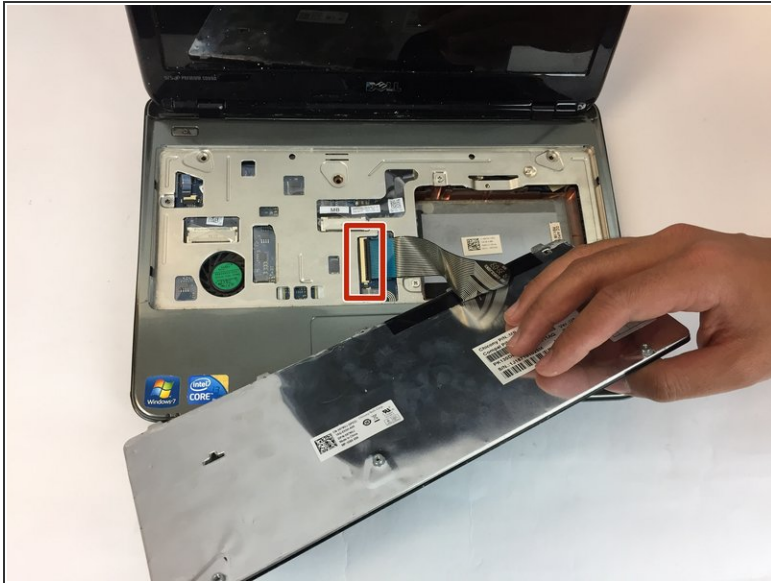
- Unscrew three black 1mm screws using the PH1 Phillips-head screwdriver on the bottom of the laptop around the battery.

Step 3



- Flip the laptop over and open it to expose the keyboard.
 - Use a plastic opening tool to pry up the keyboard, starting in the upper corner and working your way around.
- ⚠ Once the keyboard is pried up, do not remove the keyboard. There is still a ribbon attaching the keyboard to the laptop.

Step 4



- Lift the keyboard to expose the ribbon attaching the keyboard to the laptop.
- Flip up the black retaining flap on the ZIF connector and then pull the ribbon cable away.
- Remove the keyboard from the laptop.

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