



Dell Inspiron 17-5749 Hard Drive Replacement

Are you having problems with the hard drive in ...

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INTRODUCTION

Are you having problems with the hard drive in your Dell Inspiron 17-5749 that include but not limited to:

- The drive producing strange sounds
- The drive dropping in performance (becomes slower)
- The capacity is no longer sufficient
- Or the drive has simply reached the end of its lifespan?

Well not to worry, this guide will allow you to remove and replace the hard drive with ease! (please make sure to back up your data before beginning!)

TOOLS:

[iFixit Opening Tool](#) (1)

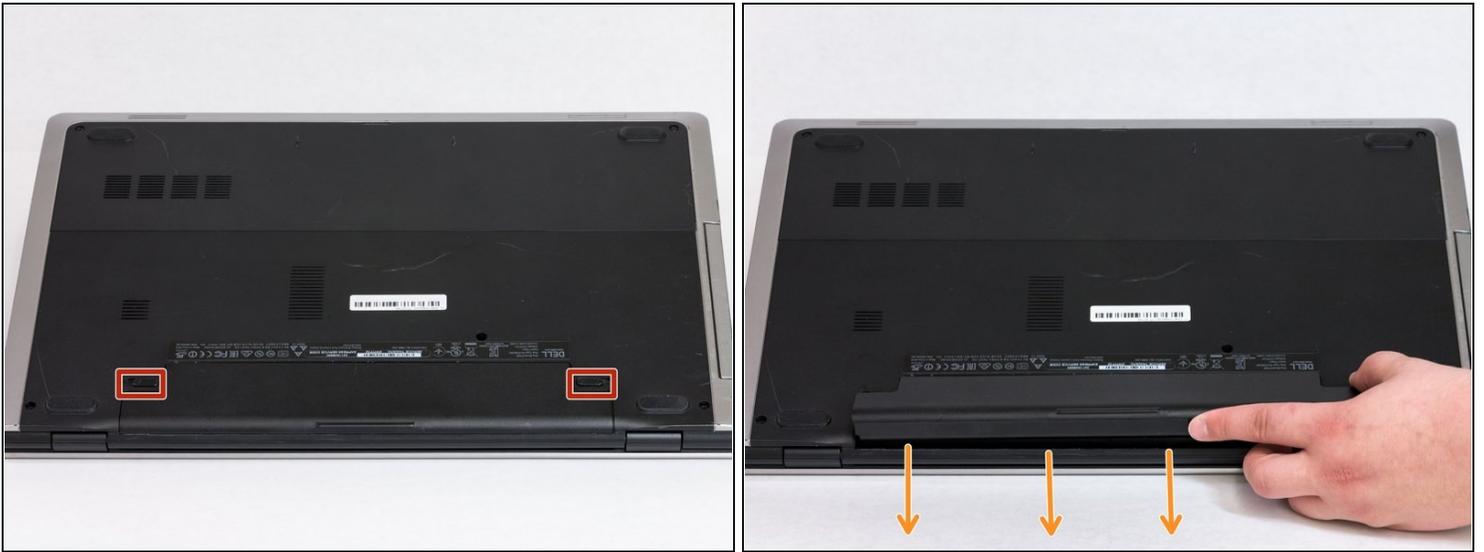
[Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)

Step 1 — Battery



- Turn off power to the laptop.
- Unplug the charging cable from the laptop.
 **Failure to unplug the charging cable could result in damaging the computer or seriously injuring yourself.**
- ⓘ Wear the [anti-static wrist strap](#) or work in an uncarpeted area to prevent static shocks. Shocks may damage the components.

Step 2



① First carefully turn the laptop over so you can access the battery.

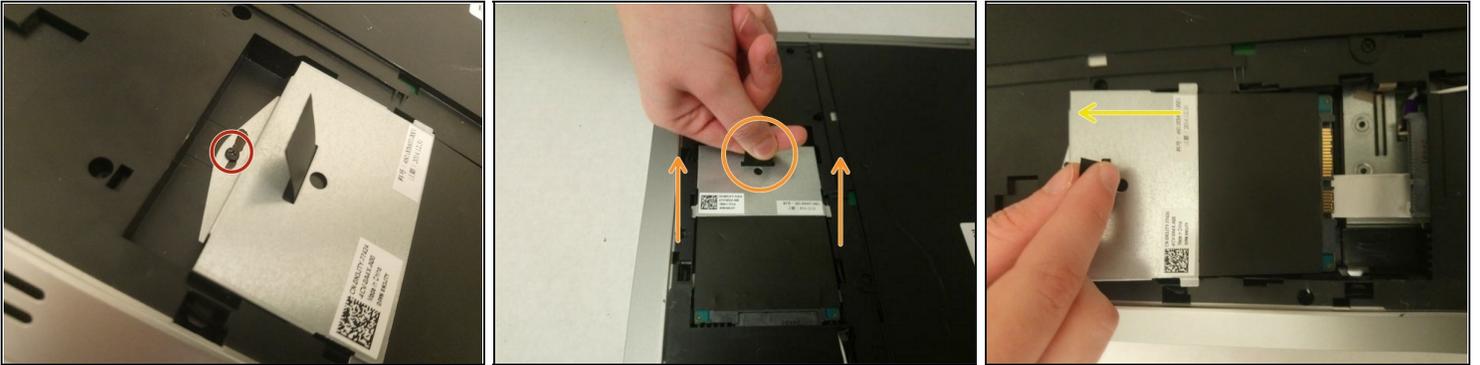
- Switch each of the battery latches to the "unlocked" position.
- Pull battery upwards by the tab to remove from the laptop.

Step 3 — Back Cover



- Remove the two 5.5mm screws that secure the base cover to the computer's base.
- Using the plastic opening tool, carefully pry open the base cover starting from the center.
- Lift the base cover upwards to remove and set it aside.

Step 4 — Hard Drive



- Remove the 2.5mm screw that secures the hard-drive assembly to the computer base.
- Using the pull tab, slide the hard-drive assembly to disconnect it from the system board.
- Lift the hard-drive assembly off the computer base

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