



How To Fix Sticky Triggers Xbox One Wireless Controller Model 1708

Fixing sticky triggers on Xbox One wireless and wired controllers (Pictured model 1708 wireless but works on both).

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INTRODUCTION

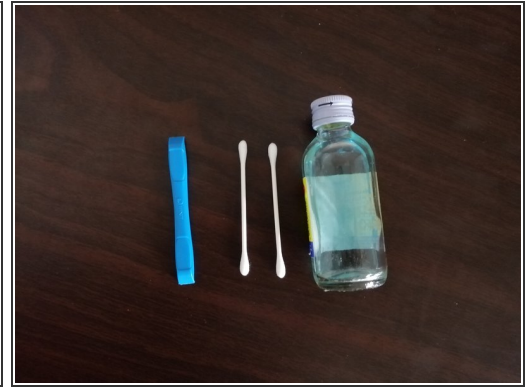
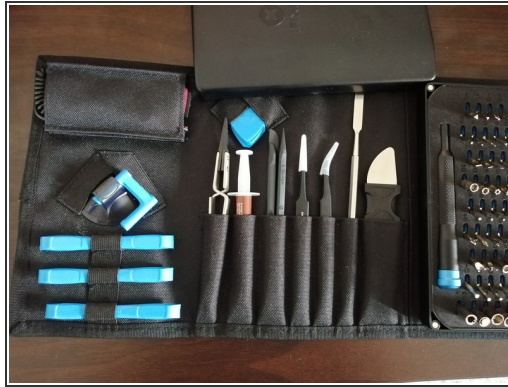
This is a quick and easy guide (also my first one!) on how to repair/clean sticky triggers (trigger buttons) on an Xbox One wireless controller. The guide has the model 1708 pictured but I know this works on the earlier Xbox One, One S, One X and the Elite controllers as well since they are very similar with regard to the trigger button's function.



TOOLS:

- [iFixit Opening Tool](#) (1)
 - [Prying and Opening Tool Assortment](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Get set up



- Make sure you have all the pieces you need before beginning: Plastic or metal mini pry bars for removing the covers, small cotton buds for cleaning and rubbing alcohol for the actual cleaning part.
- Have a clean desk or workspace with good lighting and make sure you are not hunched over while working (this is applicable to all work environments!)
- Remove the batteries and the cover panel before doing any work on the controller.

Step 2 — Removing the back panel



- Using the pry bar, gently insert it near the base of the trigger to get under the plastic panel.
- Then, with a lever action, slowly pry the panel off until you hear the plastic unsnapping from its mounting.
- You might find it easier to swap between the front and back of the panel so as to not damage the panel if it is particularly sticky/stubborn.

Step 3 — Cleaning the pads...



- Clean the trigger contact pad with the cotton bud dipped in some rubbing alcohol. Be careful not to soak the cotton bud too much, you don't want it dripping liquid inside the controller.
- Also, clean the opposite surface on the underneath of the trigger key, the part that contacts the pad which is likely also sticky.
- You can also see how much dust or dirt is inside the controller and in the cracks of the handles, might be a good time to tidy up!

Step 4 — Finishing up...



- Replace the plastic panel by dropping it into place then firmly pressing down on the top of the panel until you hear the clicking of the little clips inside.
- Make sure it is properly reattached since there are a few clips inside which help to keep the panel in place, you don't want this coming off again!
- This can be done in the exact same way for both triggers, since they are both under an identical plastic panel and you can do this exact guide for both sides of the controller.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order: simply snap the back panel(s) back into place, making sure they are firmly secured. Then reseal the batteries and cover (or your equivalent) and enjoy happy sticky-free gaming.