Black and Decker LDX 120C Safety switch and trigger chip Replacement

Replacement of safety switch and trigger chip on Black and Decker LDX 120C drill.

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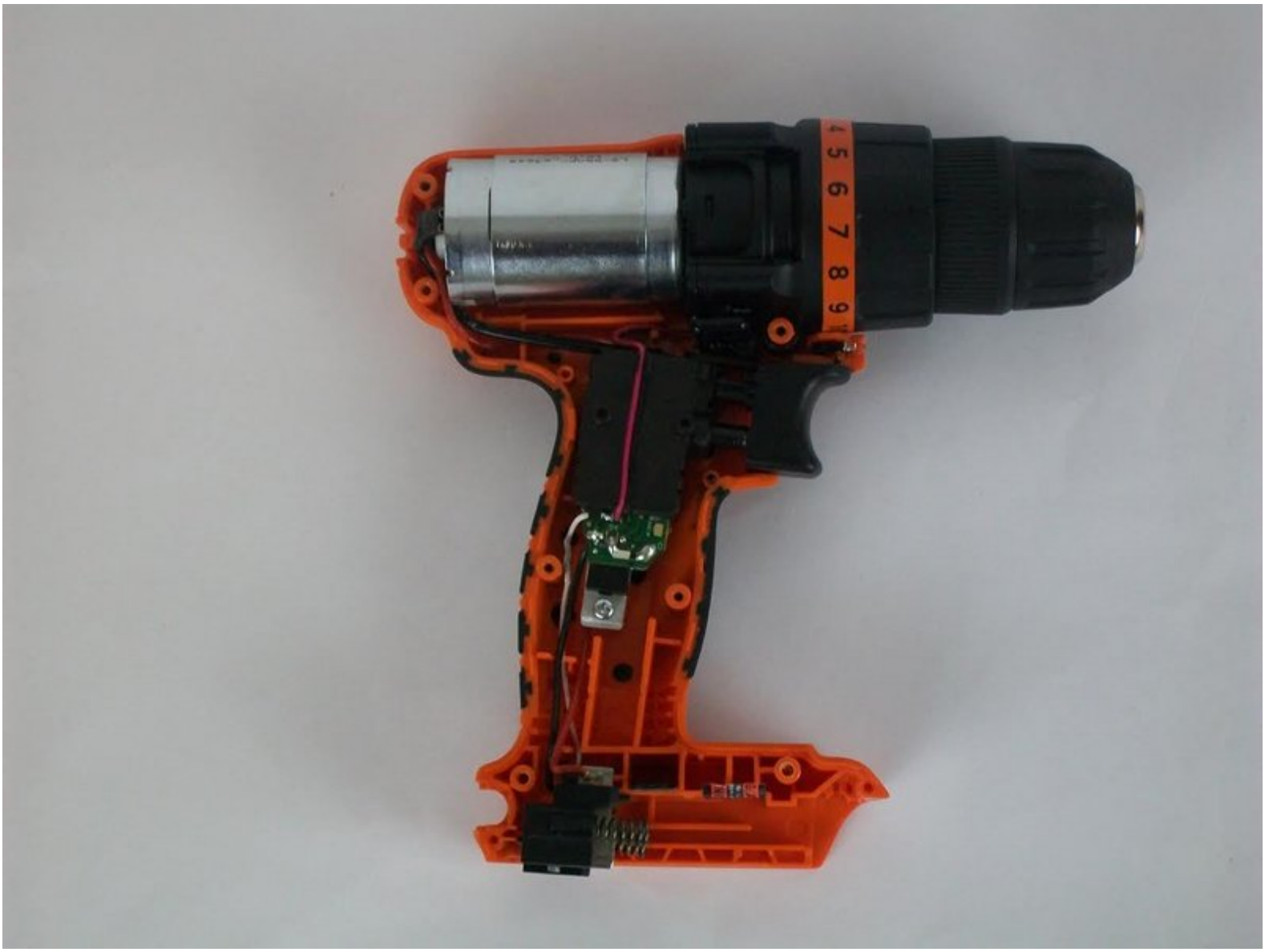


INTRODUCTION

Guide to replacing a stuck or jammed safety switch or trigger chip.

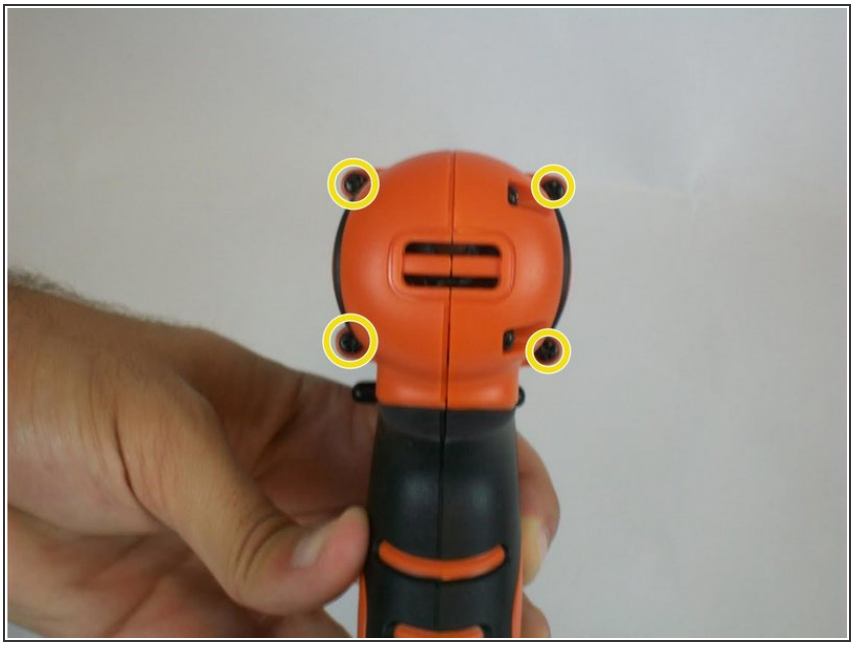
TOOLS:

- IFixit Pro Tech Toolkit (1)
- Phillips #1 Screwdriver (1)
- iFixit Opening Tools (1)
- Wire cutters/side cutters (1)

Step 1 — Outer Case

- For this guide we will need to use a 1.0 mm phillips #1 screw.
- There are a total of thirteen screws that need to be removed in order to open the drill and access the interior components.

Step 2



- Remove the four screws on the back top side of the drill.

Step 3

- Remove the four screws that connect the chuck to the drill.

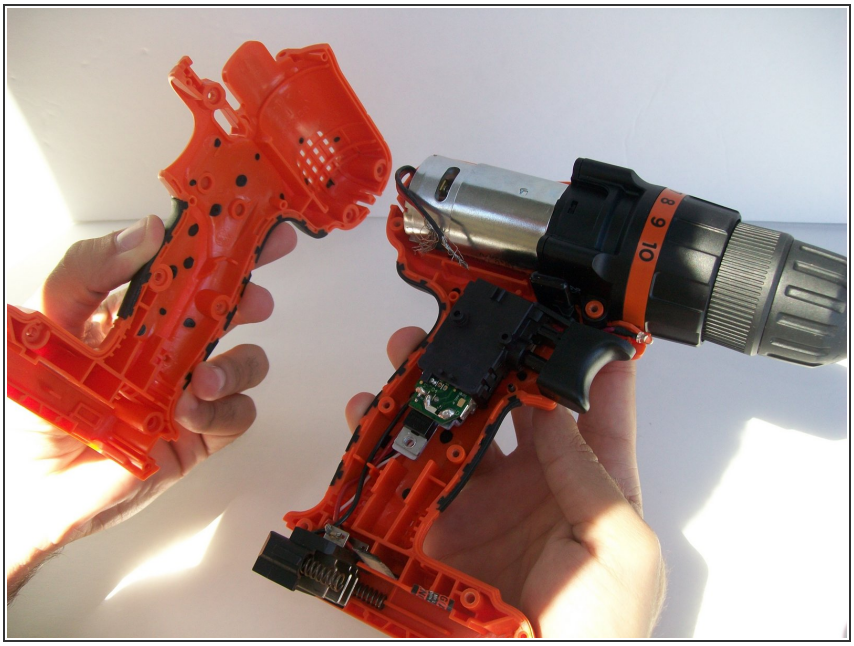
Step 4

- Remove the five screws on the front side of the drill.

Step 5

- Gently grab both sides of the drill casing, and separate both sides from each other.

Step 6



- At this point you should be able to separate both as illustrated.

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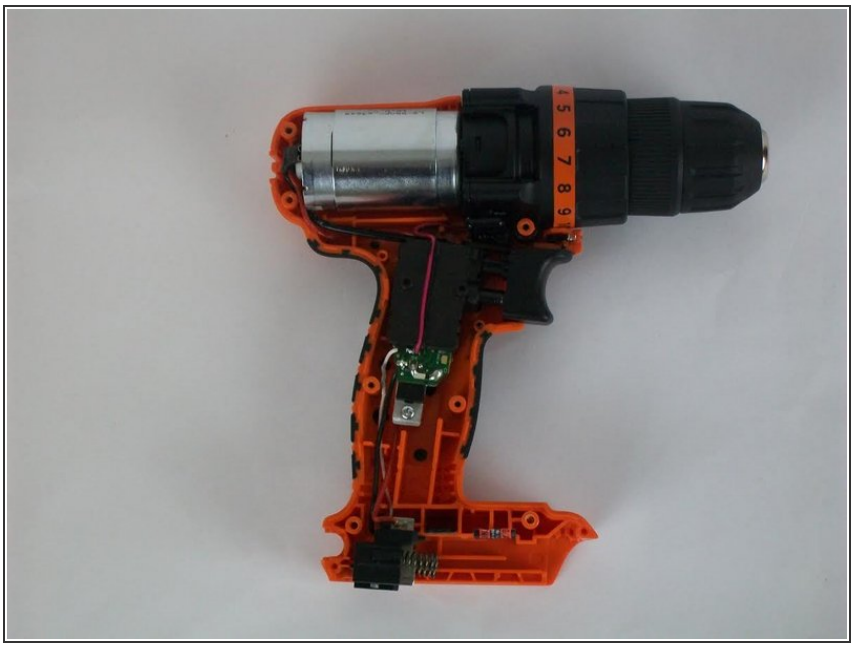
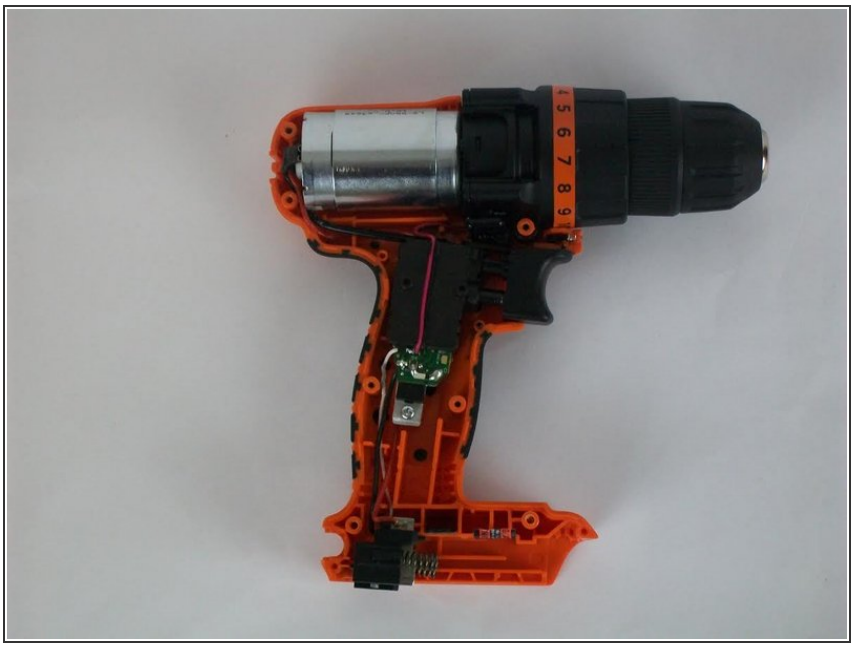


- Now all the components of the drill are visible and can be accessed.

Step 8 — Safety switch and trigger chip



- After following the prerequisite guide, the interior components of the drill can now be accessed.

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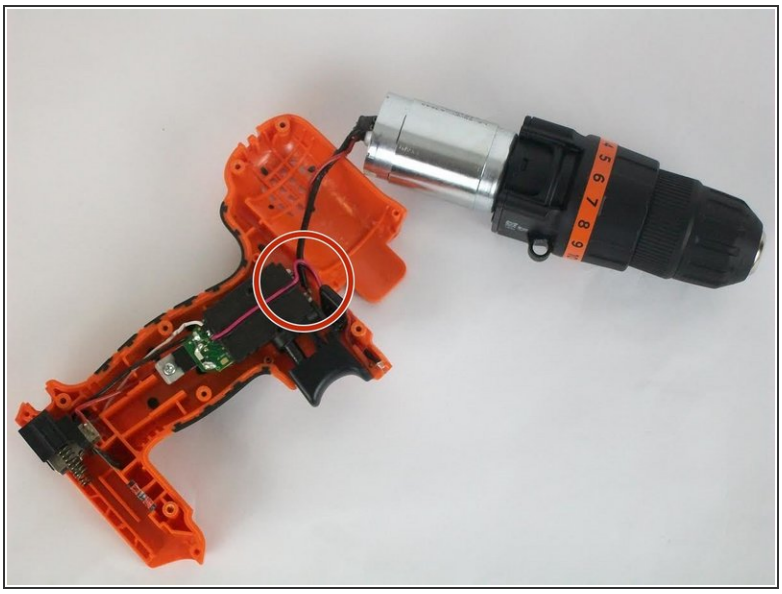

- Gently remove the chuck and motor assembly from the drill case.
- Disconnect the wire connecting the motor and trigger chip.

⚠ **Do not damage wire connections**

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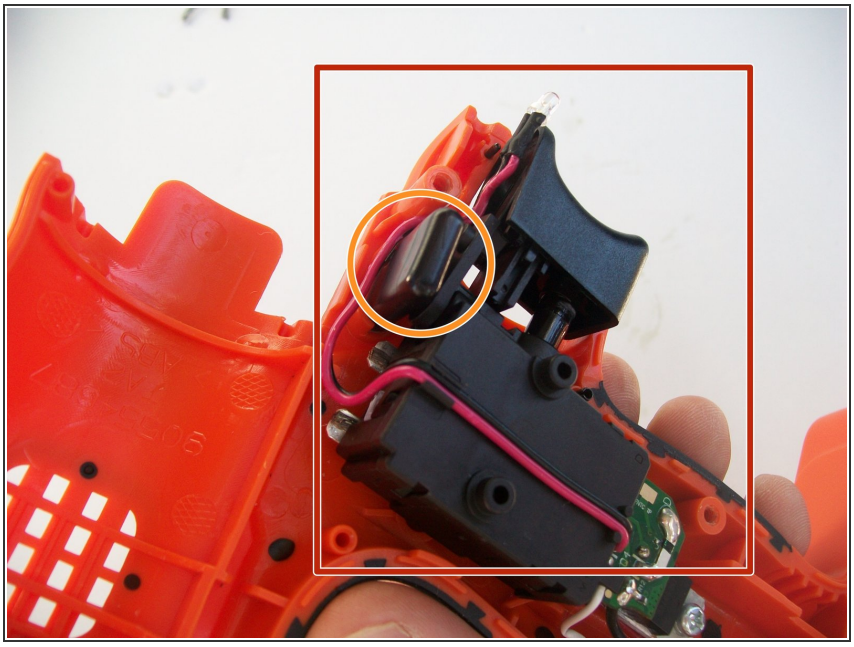

- Remove the trigger chip assembly from the drill.
- Do not remove the safety switch yet.

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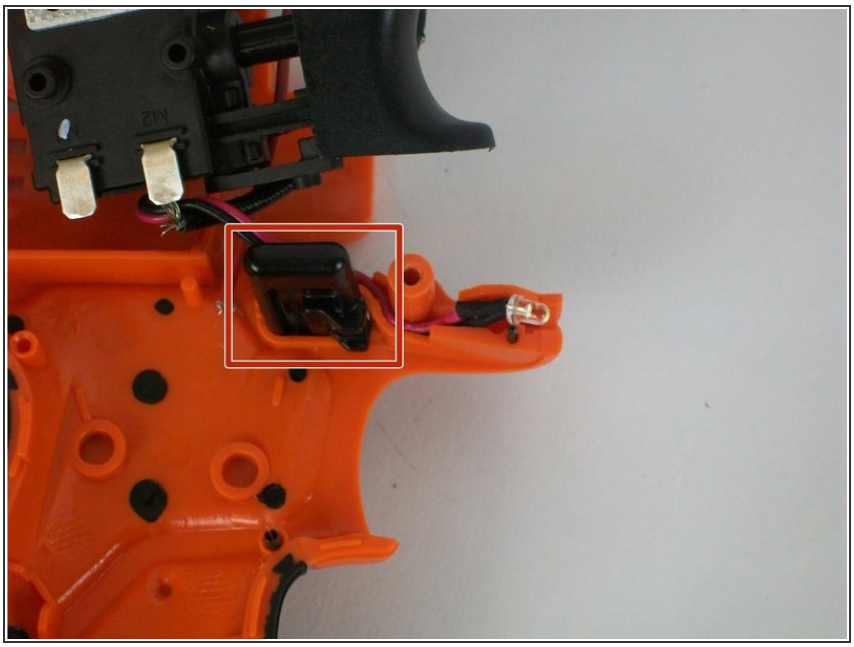

- Check if the safety switch is jammed or broken.
  - If jammed, move any wires or other objects blocking the switch's path.
  - If broken, replace the safety switch.

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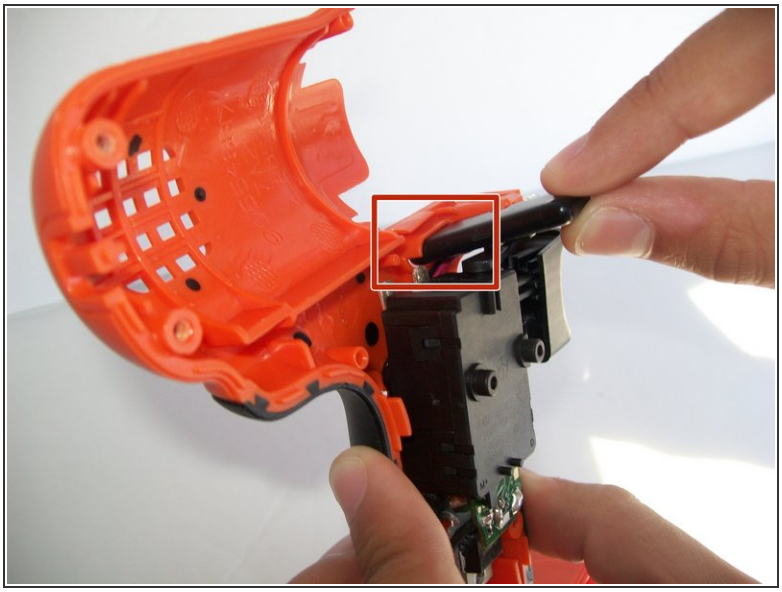

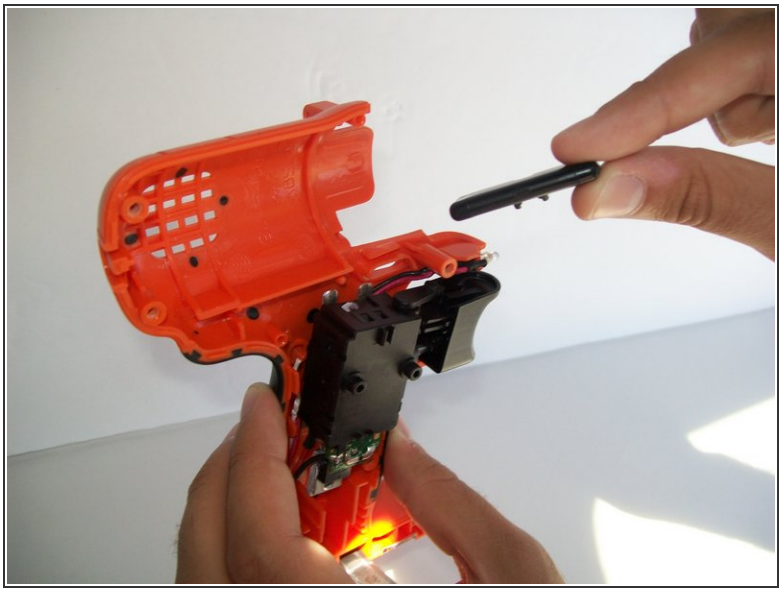

- To replace, gently remove the old safety switch from the drill casing.
- After the old safety switch has been removed, a new one may be inserted.

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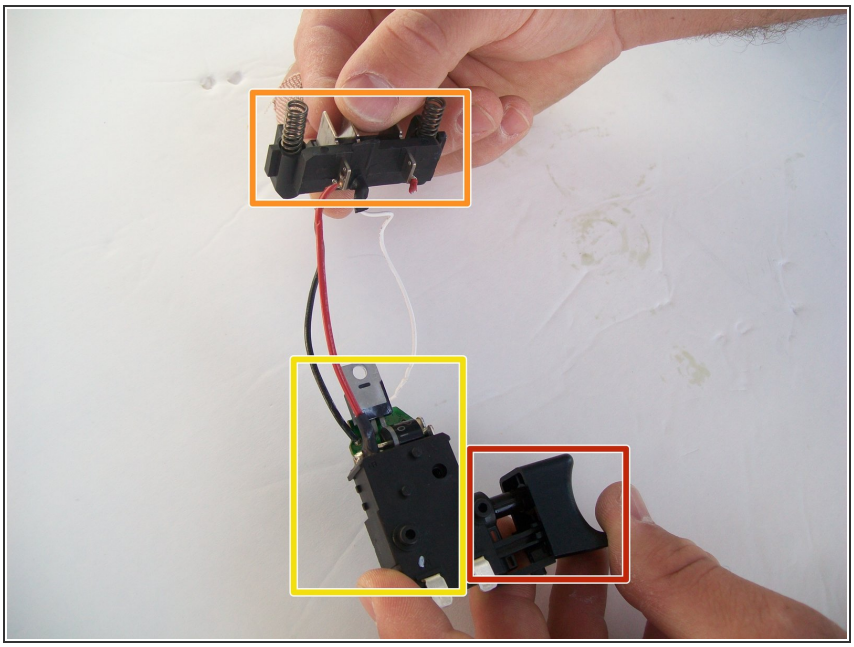

- The trigger is indicated by the red box.
- The battery connector is indicated by the orange box.
- The trigger chip is indicated by the yellow box.

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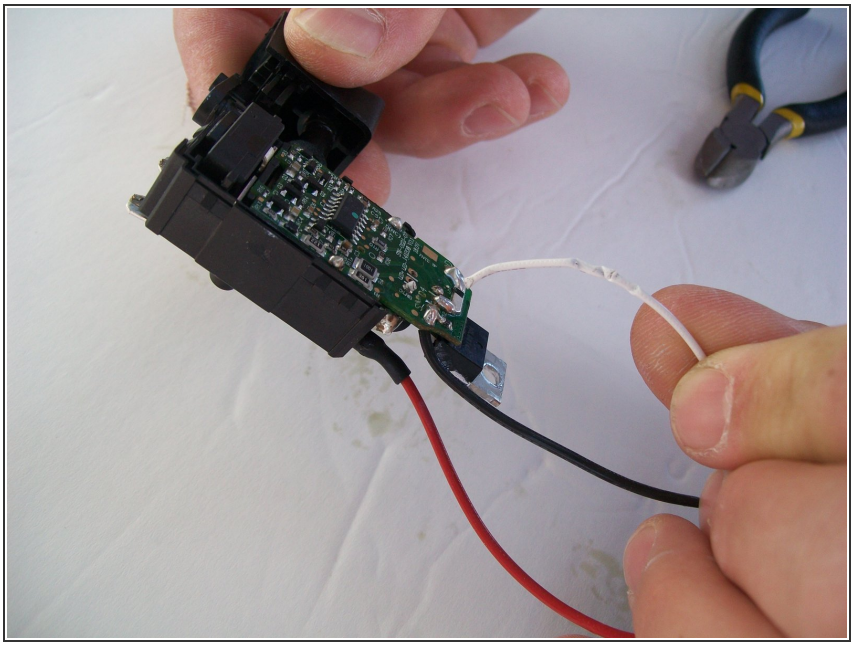

- Check that all visible wire connections are intact.

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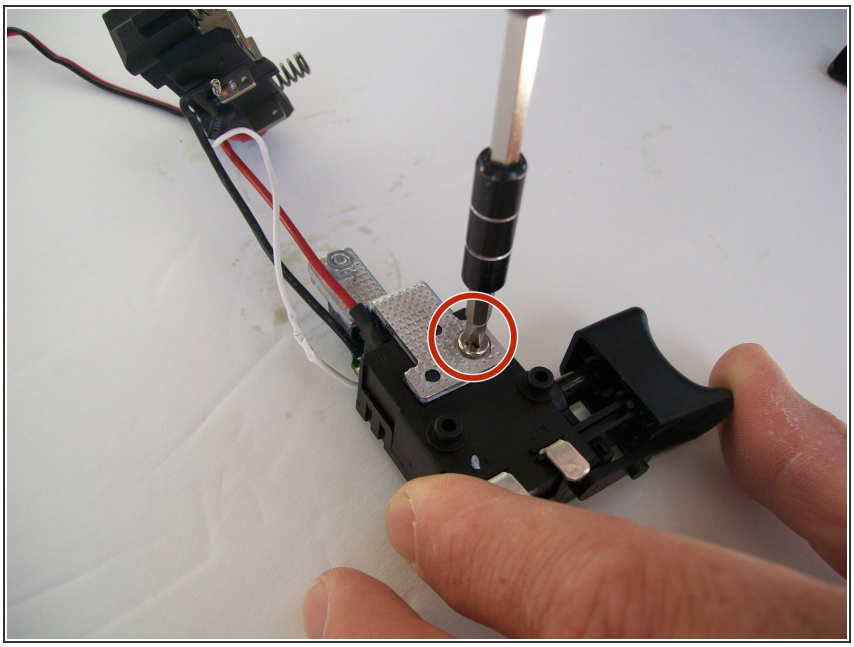

- Remove trigger chip panel to access wire connections to the chip.
  - Using a Phillips head screwdriver, remove the screws as indicated.

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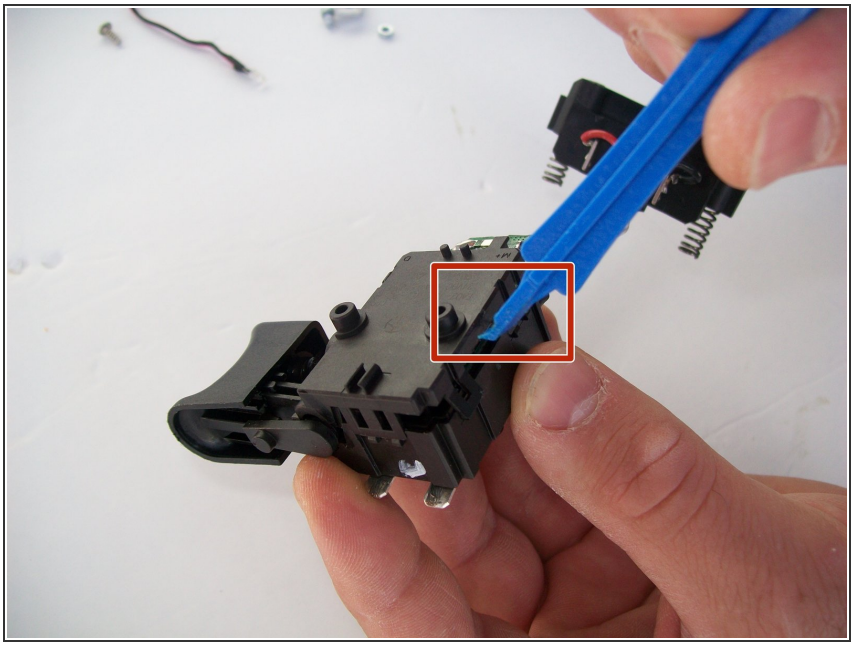

- Use a plastic pry tool to gently pry open the trigger chip compartment.

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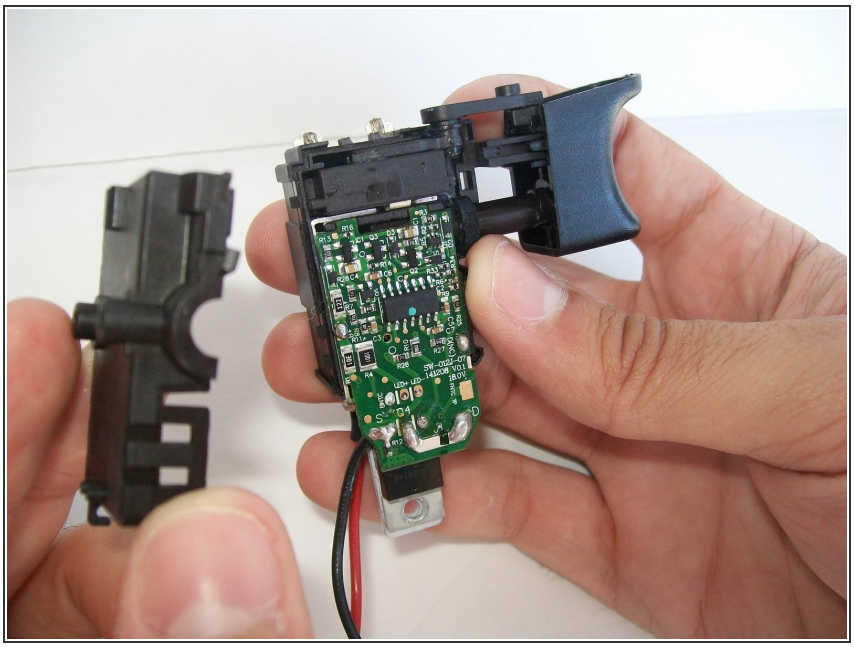
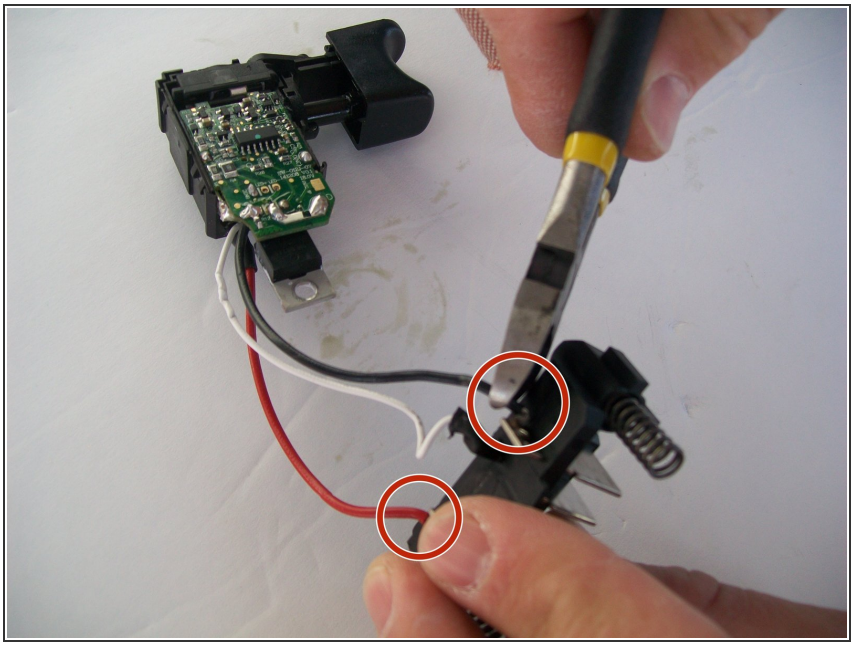


- After prying open the chip compartment, the connections will be visible.
  - Check the connections for damage or disconnection. Reattach as necessary.
  - If the connections do not seem to be damaged, the chip itself may be broken and must be replaced.

Step 18



- To replace trigger chip, remove wire connections between battery connector and trigger chip using a pair of sidecutters.

To prevent damage to the trigger chip, desolder the wires instead of cutting them. Learn more about desoldering here.

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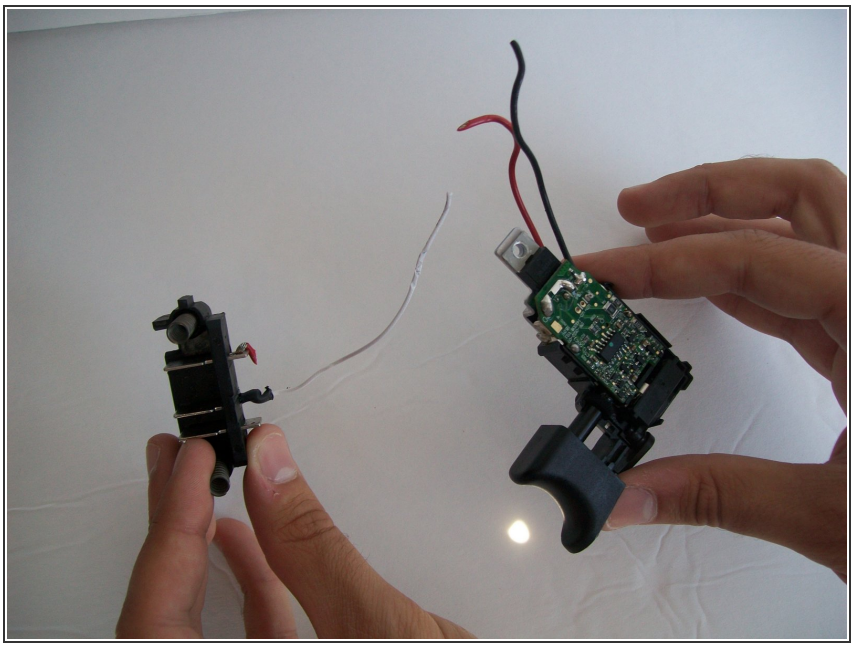

- With wires removed, the trigger chip may be replaced.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order, re-soldering wires where necessary.