



Broken Zipper On Luggage Replacement

This guide will contain an illustrated and detailed procedure for replacing a broken zipper on luggage. This will be done in six steps.

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INTRODUCTION

My guide is on “Replacing A Broken Zipper on Luggage.” Have you ever gotten a brand new set of luggage, try to use it for the first time and something gets broken? This happened to me on a brand new piece of luggage that I purchased for almost \$200—after a couple uses, it was mishandled prior to reaching me at baggage claim. I was tired of having one of these zippers, on my expensive luggage, broken. You could imagine my frustrations after realizing this was the case. Usually, the first thought is “Oh, it’s broken, I can’t use it anymore” or “I have to get a new luggage because I can’t use it anymore” but these aren't really the only options, and I wanted to share that in six easy steps.

You will need to purchase a replacement zipper. This is done for as little as \$2 on Amazon or other supplier sites depending on the kind of zipper you need (heavy duty zippers can be a little bit more).



TOOLS:

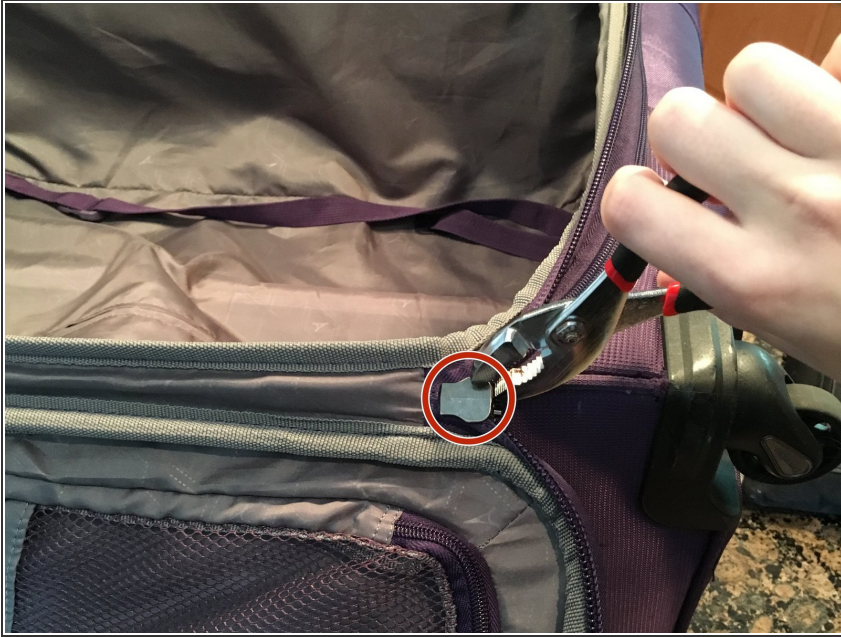
- [Slip Joint Pliers](#) (1)
- [Large Needle Nose Pliers](#) (1)
- [Push Pin](#) (1)
(if needed)
- [Utility Scissors](#) (1)
- [6-in-1 Screwdriver](#) (1)

Step 1 — On Luggage



- Remove the metal stopper at the end with the pliers (which ever set works for your size zipper), using a bit of pressure to pry it off of the slider. This will help the current, broken zipper come off easier.

Step 2



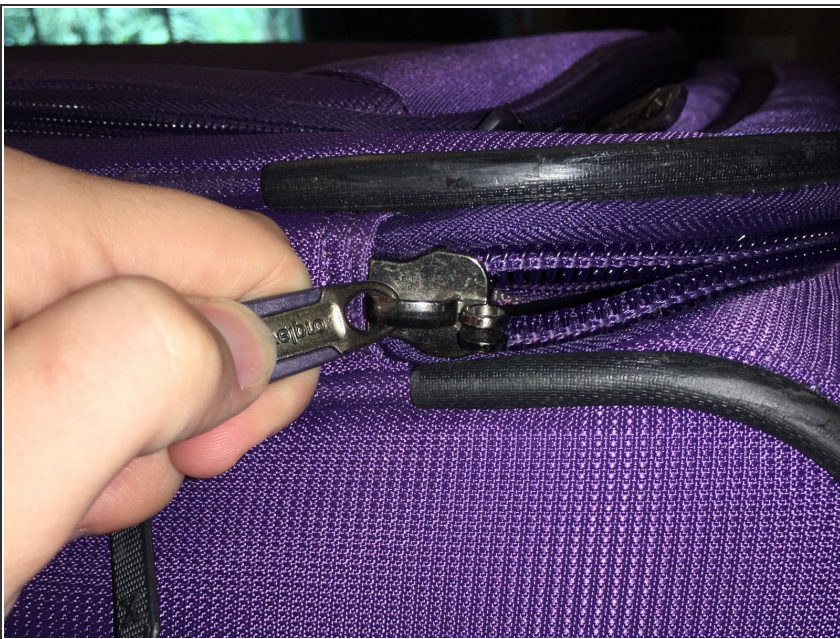
- Dismantle the current, broken zipper on the slider. To do this, you'll need to use pliers. Apply pressure vertically to pry the zipper away from the teeth of the slider.
- Use the other pair of pliers to keep the zipper in place while you remove it. It should then smoothly slide off of the slider.

Step 3



- Install the new zipper. To do this, simply slide the new zipper over the end of the slider chain. This should secure the teeth together for a comfortable fit.

Step 4



- Applying pressure, use pliers to reattach the metal zipper stopper.

Step 5



- Secure the new zipper, using the pliers, setting the stoppers back in place and molding it back together.

Mold and bend the stopper, using the pliers, to set the stopper back in place.