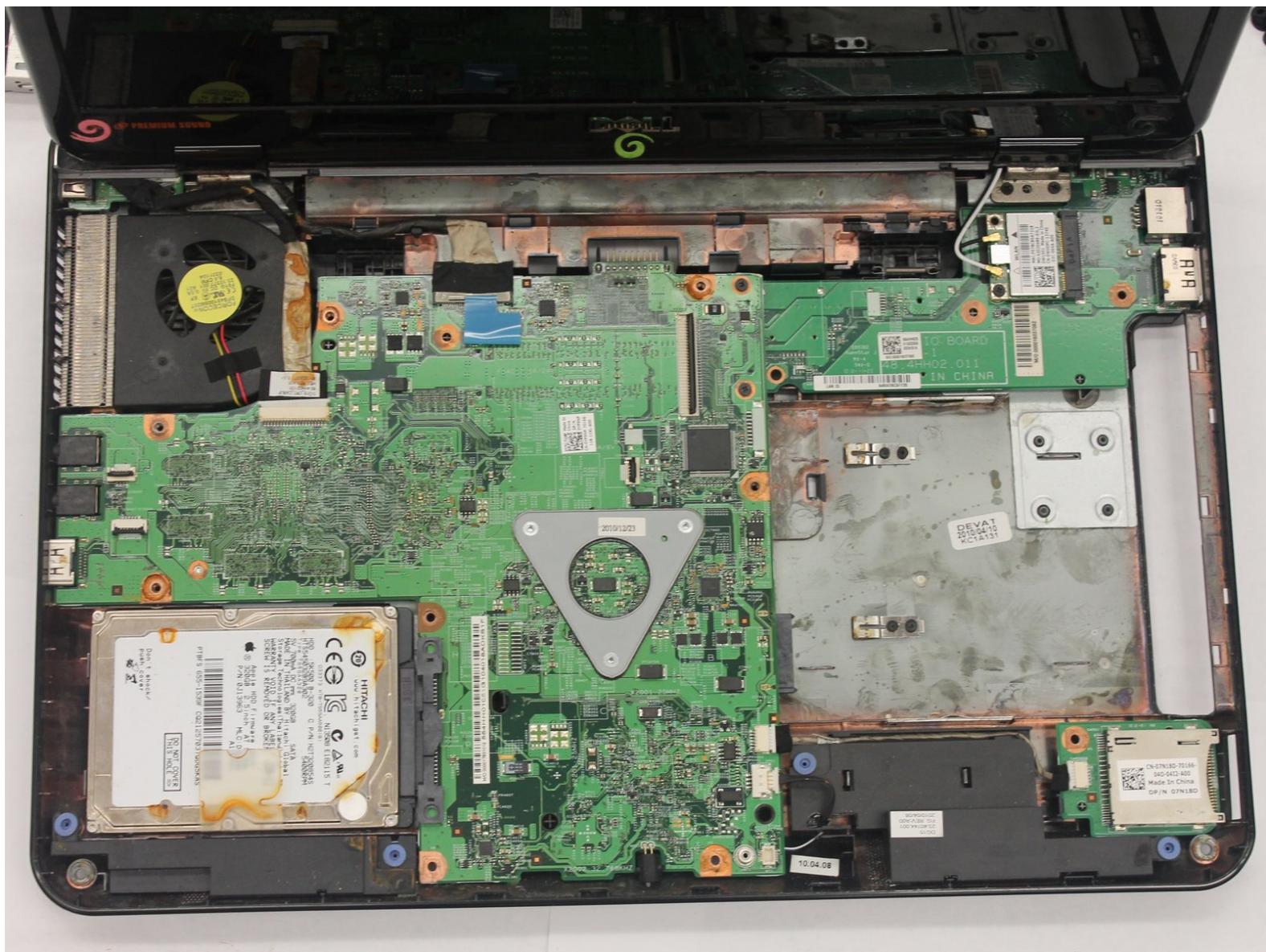




Dell Inspiron M5010 Palm Rest Replacement

This guide will demonstrate how to remove the keyboard and palm rest.

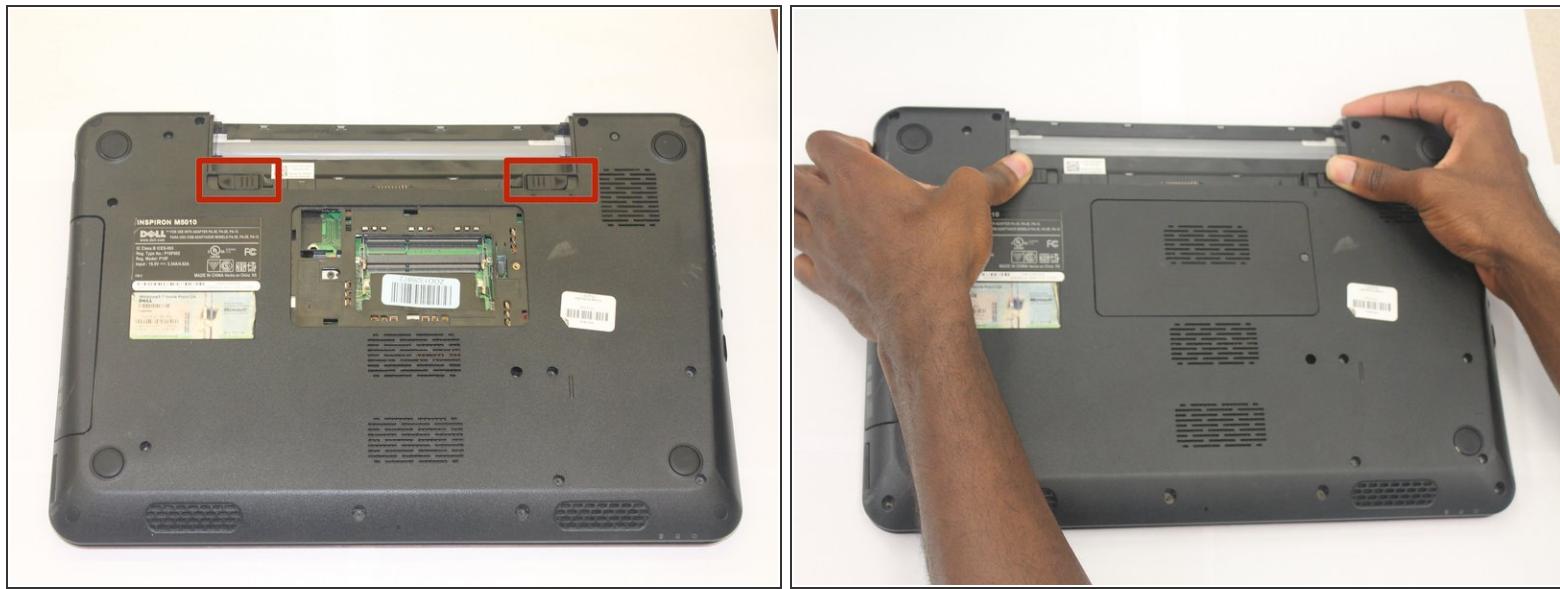
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 **TOOLS:**

- [Phillips #000 Screwdriver \(1\)](#)
- [iFixit 6 Inch Metal Ruler \(1\)](#)

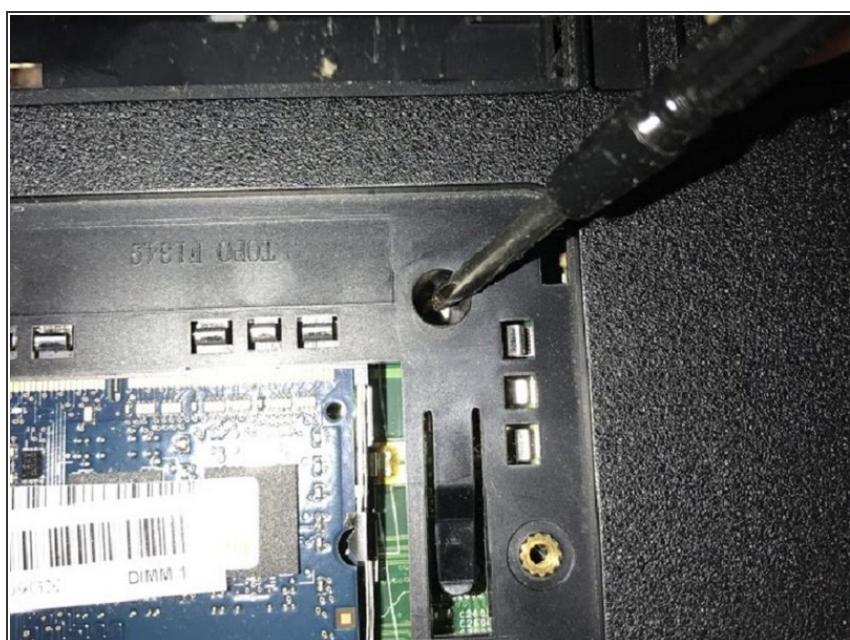
Step 1 — Battery



⚠ Make sure laptop is powered off before removing the battery.

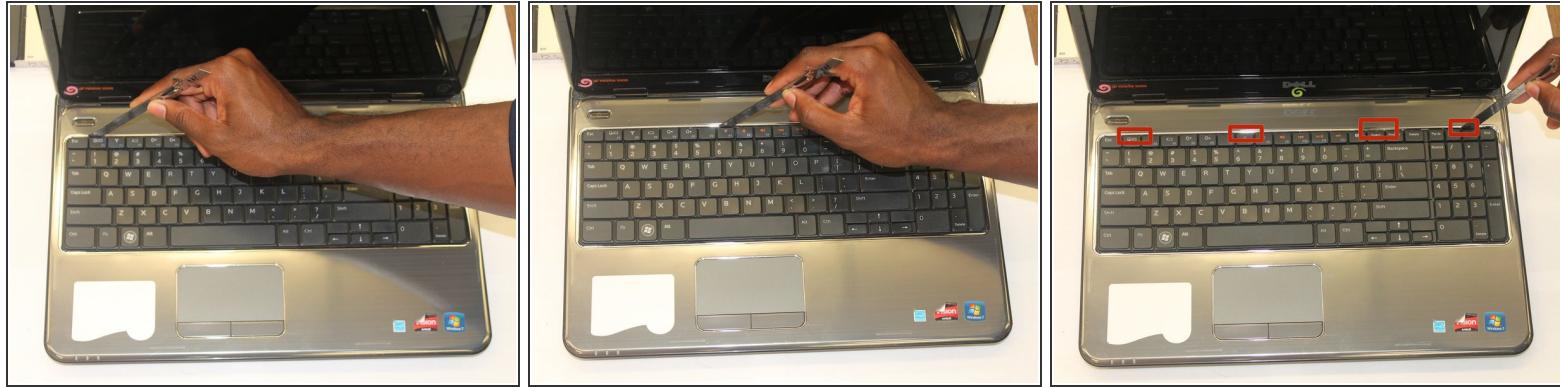
- Slide both arrow tabs towards the outer edge of the computer to release the battery.
- (i) Battery is not shown.

Step 2 — Remove keyboard retaining screw



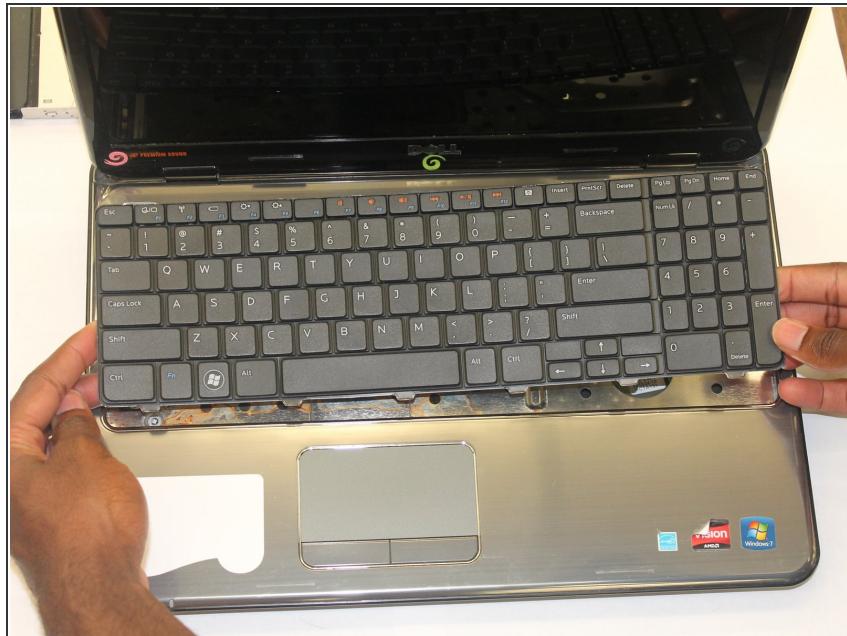
- Remove Keyboard retaining screw from bottom of laptop.

Step 3



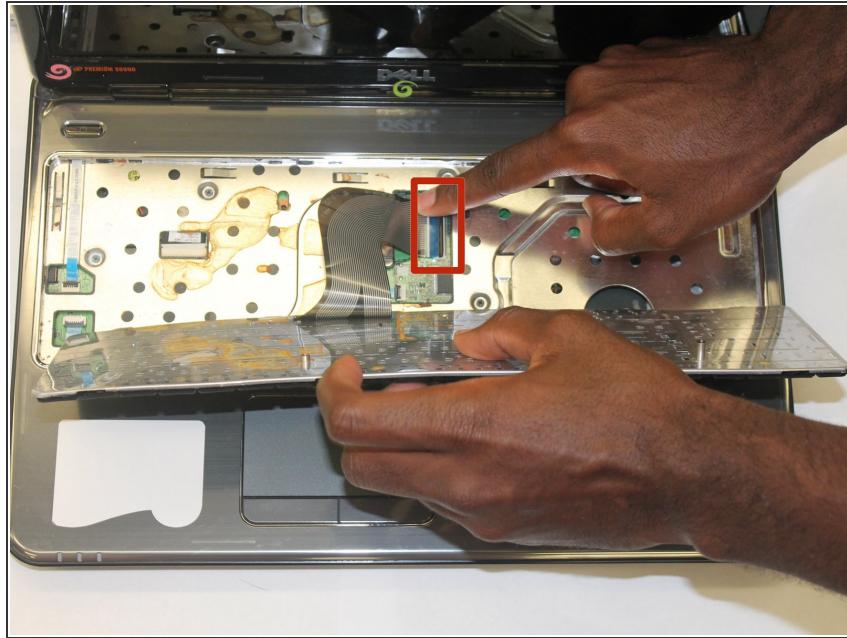
- Insert the 6 inch metal ruler, or another flat object into the holes in the top left of the keyboard, the top middle of the keyboard, and the top right of the keyboard to release the keyboard from the computer.
- There are a number of screws on the bottom that required to be removed prior to the keyboard being able to be lifted up.

Step 4



- Lift the keyboard up slightly and push forward in order to release bottom tabs.

Step 5



- Pull the black tab up and then pull left on keyboard plug to release keyboard.

Step 6 — Palm Rest



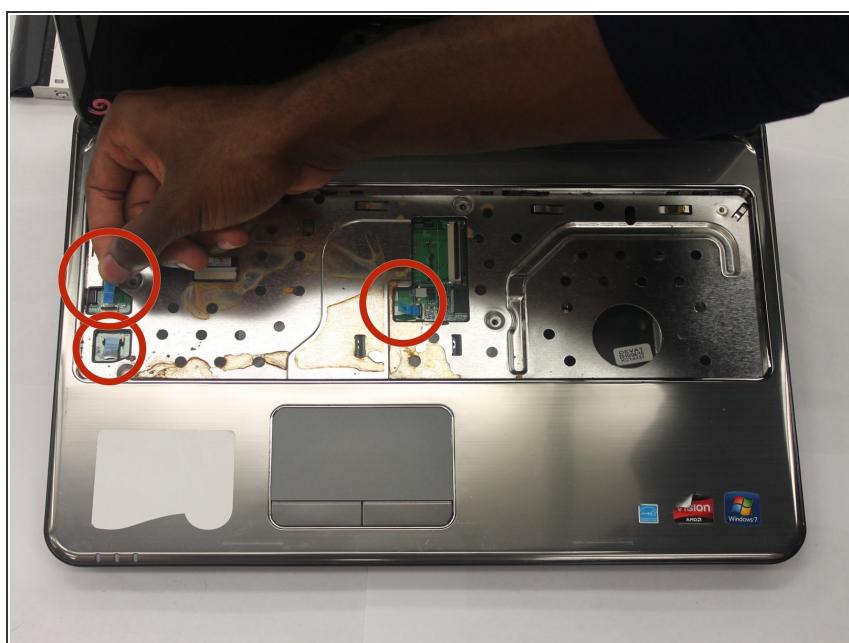
- Flip the laptop, so the bottom of the laptop is facing up.
- Remove the seven 6.0mm Phillip #000 screws indicated using the Phillips #000 screwdriver.

Step 7



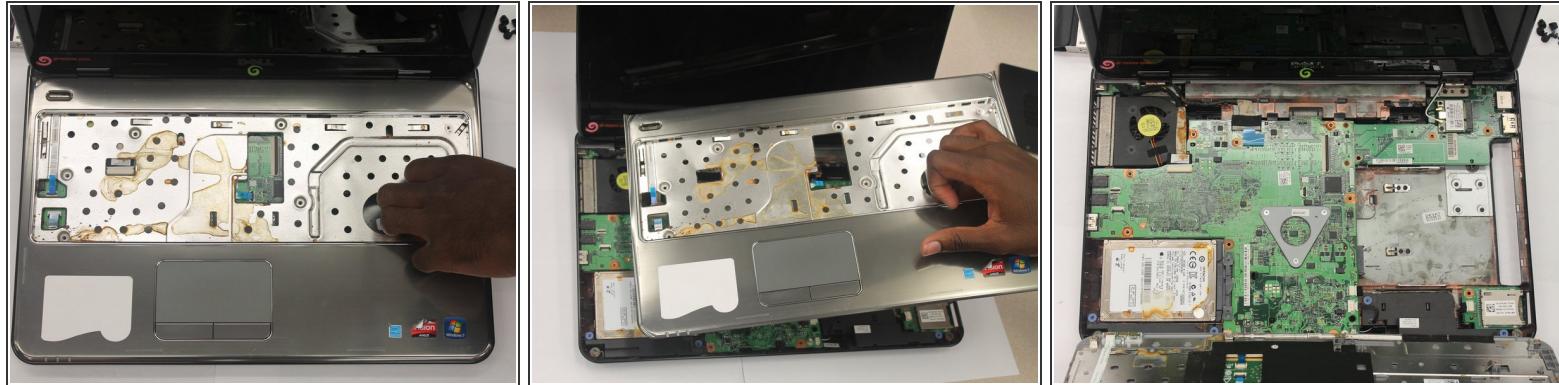
- Flip the laptop back over, so that the top of the laptop is facing up.
- Open the laptop.
- Remove all of the indicated 6.0 mm screws with the Phillips #000 screwdriver.

Step 8



- Unplug the palm rest cables by lifting the black tab up and then pulling on the blue tabs.

Step 9



- Carefully unsnap and remove the palm rest.
- ⓘ Place your fingers inside the large circle in the lower right corner to get a good grip.

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