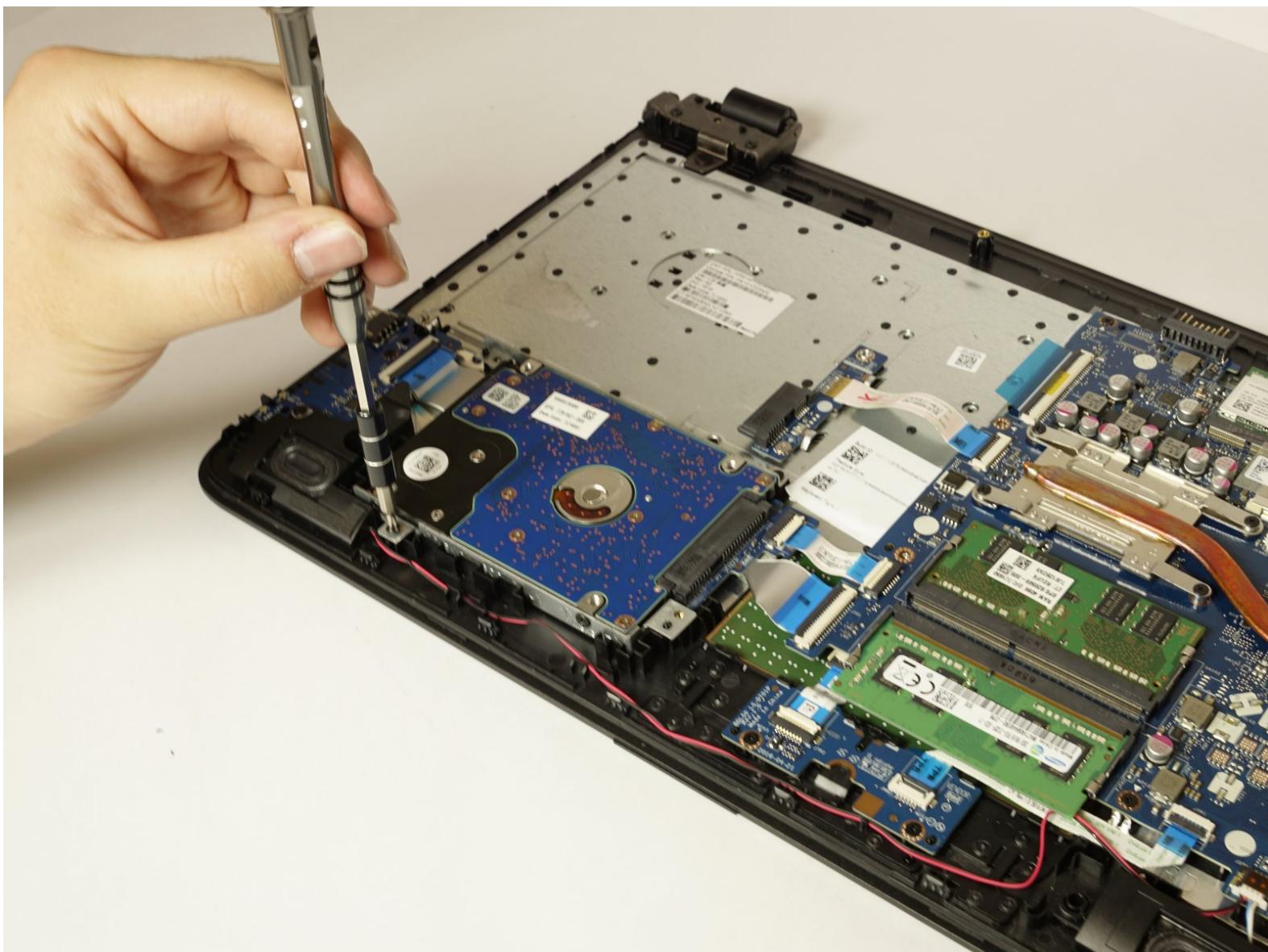




HP 15-ba0709dx Hard Drive Replacement

Removing hard drive so replacement part can be installed.

Written By: Lydia Brown



INTRODUCTION

Follow this guide to replace the hard drive on HP 15-ba0709dx laptop. This repair may be needed if your computer is showing the symptoms such as freezing, slowing down, or corrupting files.

TOOLS:

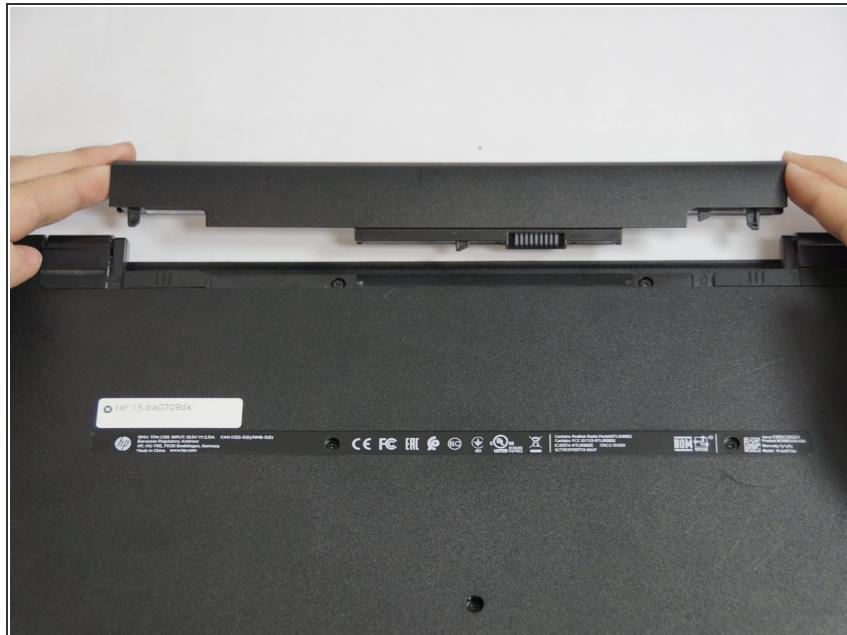
- [iFixit Opening Tools](#) (1)
- [Phillips #1 Screwdriver](#) (1)

Step 1 — Battery



- Flip the device over and locate the battery compartment.
- Slide the battery release latch on the left and right side until the battery is detached from its slot.
- A noticeable pop will be heard when the battery is fully released.

Step 2



- Pull the battery out of its slot.

⚠ Be careful not to damage any of the connectors in the process.

Step 3 — Back Cover



- Place the laptop on a clean, flat surface with the bottom side facing up.

Step 4



- Using a Phillips Head Screwdriver, remove the screws anchoring the bottom casing.

i **Note:** Make sure to keep track of the screws once they have been removed.

Step 5



- Locate the screws about 1 inch from the battery release tabs and use a Phillips Head Screwdriver to remove these screws.

i **Note:** Place these newly removed screws with the ones removed in Step 2.

Step 6



- Locate the rubber friction pads on the top corners of the laptop. Pry the pads from the laptop and place them off to the side
- Removing the friction pads will reveal two more anchoring screws.
(i) Note: The adhesive keeping the pads on the laptop will weaken once doing this, but it is necessary to removing the bottom cover of the laptop.

Step 7



- Remove disc reader.

i **Note:** If all screws are removed it should slide out easily.

Step 8



- Use a plastic prod to pry the back cover off the laptop.

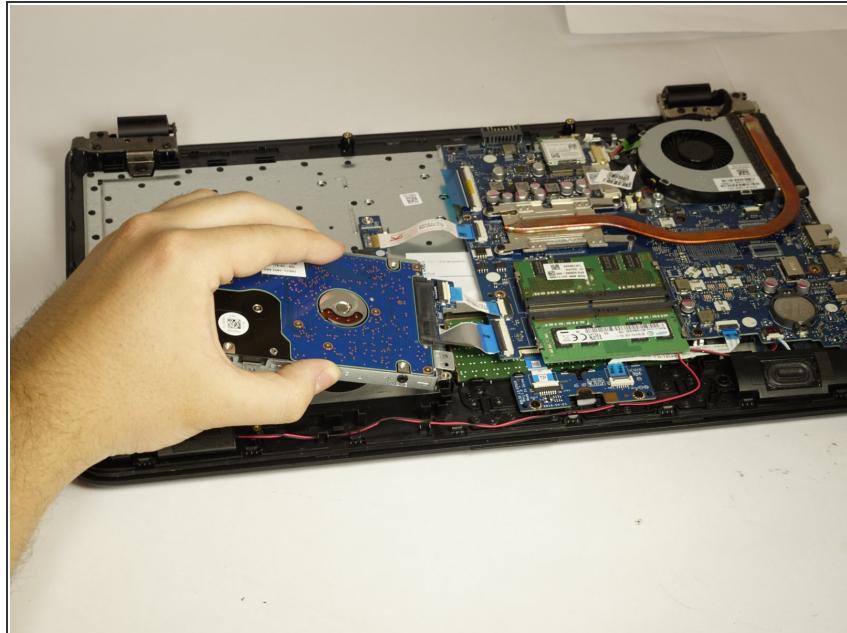
⚠ Be careful not to damage the laptop while prying.

Step 9 — Hard Drive



- Locate the square, blue hard drive
- Unscrew the two screws holding it in place using a Philips screwdriver head, PH1. The screws will be 8 mm long with a 4 mm width head.

Step 10



- Lift the hard drive out of its slot after screws are removed.

Step 11



- Squeeze to release and pull adapter cable from the side of hard drive.

⚠️ Be careful not to damage the adapter.

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