



How to Fix a Sticking Kitchen Drawer

How to fix a broken cabinet drawer.

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INTRODUCTION

Learn to repair that avoided sticky or stuck kitchen cabinet drawer.



TOOLS:

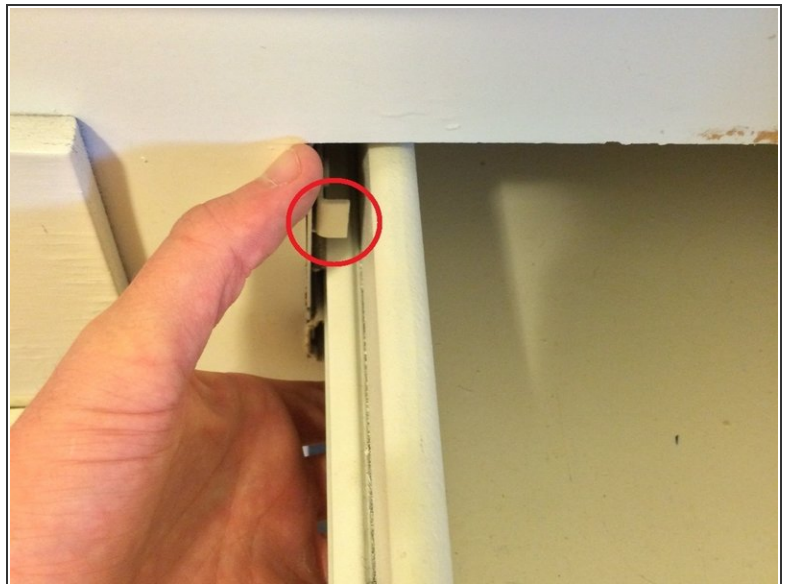
- [Screwdriver](#) (1)
 - [WD-40](#) (1)
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Step 1 — How to Fix a Sticking Kitchen Drawer



- Empty the drawer so nothing gets lost or in the way.

Step 2



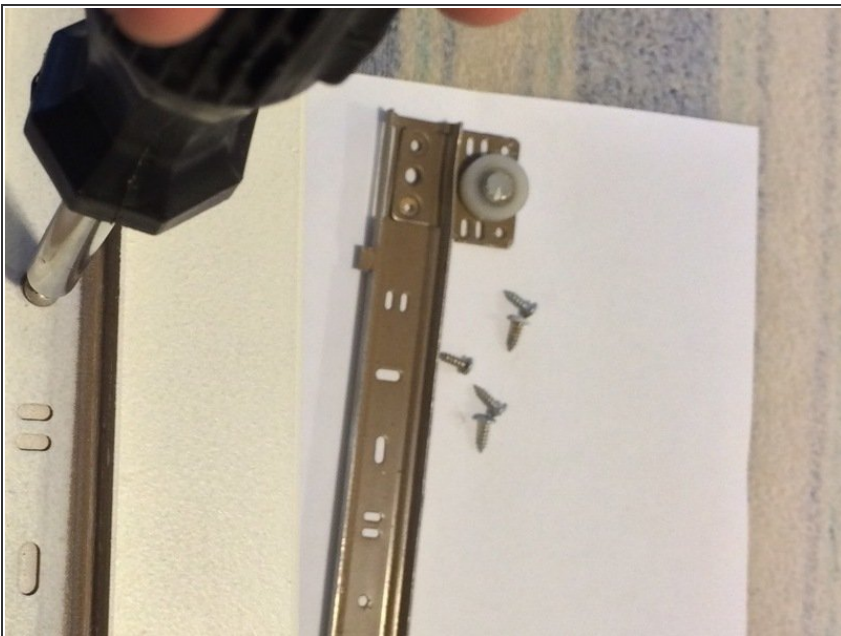
- Remove the drawer. Pull straight out until it locks, then lift up at 30 degrees to disconnect the wheel track from the drawer.
- This particular drawer has a press-down latch that releases the drawer.

Step 3



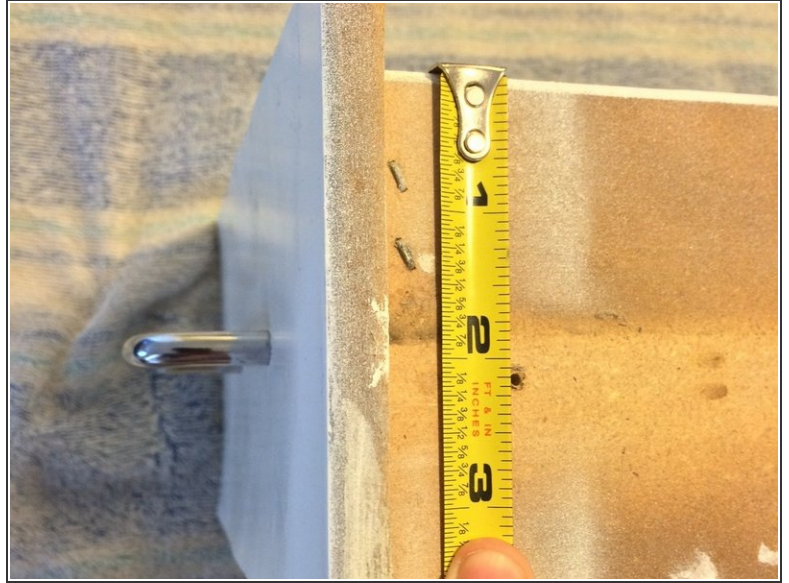
- Remove the slide tracks from the cabinet by unscrewing all screws and then detaching.
- ⓘ Keep all of the screws together.

Step 4



- Now that the slides are removed, diagnose whether they are broken or just need lubrication. If they are broken, replace with a new set.
- ⓘ If buying a new slide/wheel, make sure it is the same dimensions.

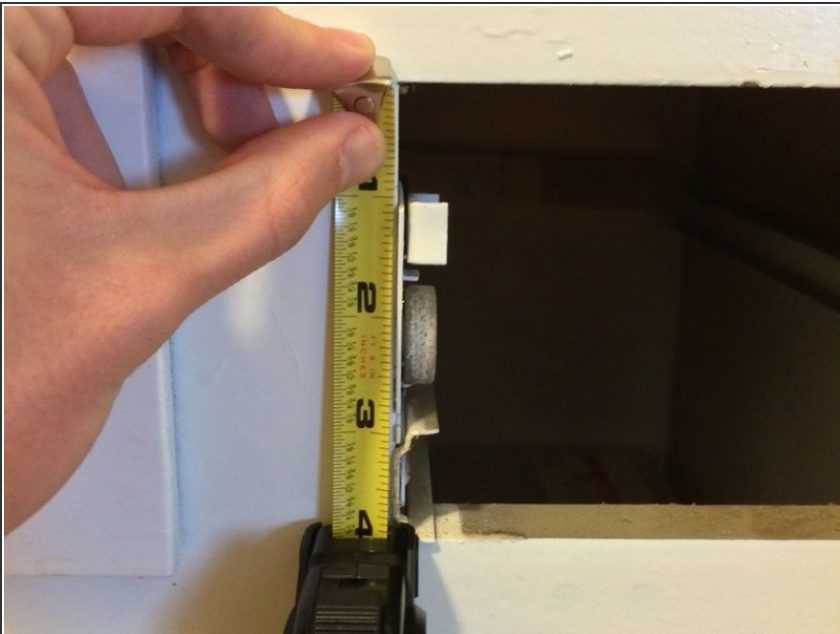
Step 5



- Make sure the track is straight by measuring the height of the screw holes. If the front and back screw holes are more than a half inch apart, see guide for drilling new holes.

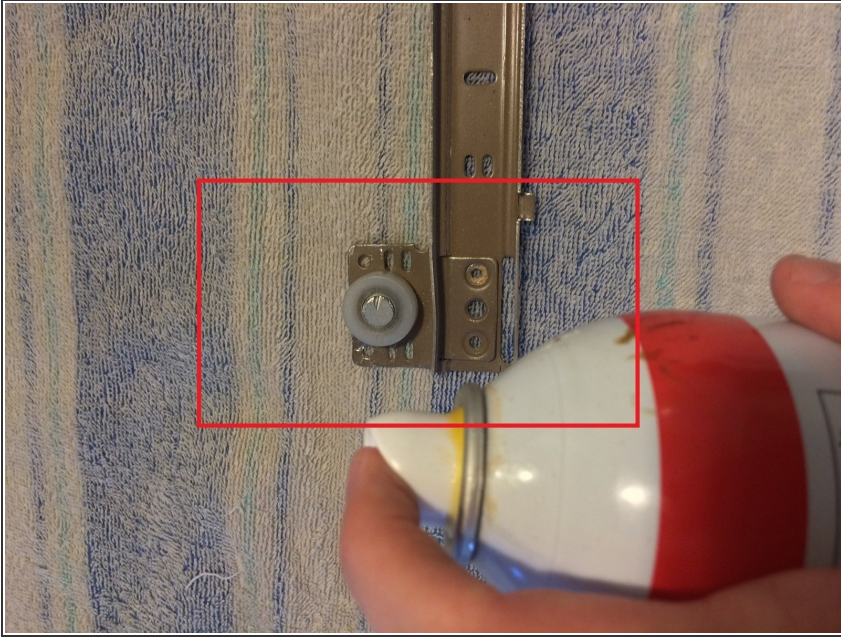
i This only works if the height of the drawer doesn't change.

Step 6



- Make sure the height of the wheel tracks matches up with the height of the guide tracks by measuring down from a shared point between the drawer and cabinet.

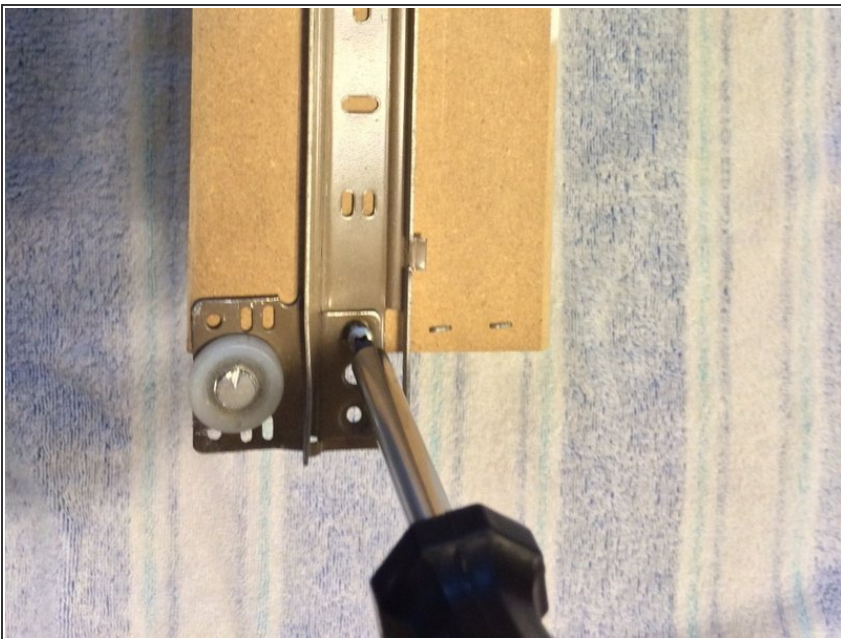
Step 7



- Lubricate the tracks/wheel by spraying directly with lubricant.

ⓘ Recommended: WD-40.

Step 8



- Re-attach the wheel tracks with a screwdriver and screws.

Step 9



- Insert drawer in the same way it was taken out and then test to make sure it works.
- ⓘ The drawer should now slide along the rollers without any problems. If this is the case, you're all done!