



# IBM ThinkPad 560z Keyboard Cover Replacement

How to replace an IBM ThinkPad 560z keyboard cover.

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## INTRODUCTION

This is a step by step guide to removing the keyboard cover of an IBM ThinkPad 560z. The keyboard cover is most commonly removed to facilitate the cleaning or replacement of the keyboard.

### TOOLS:

- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [iFixit Opening Tools](#) (1)
- [Spudger](#) (1)

## Step 1 — Upper Case



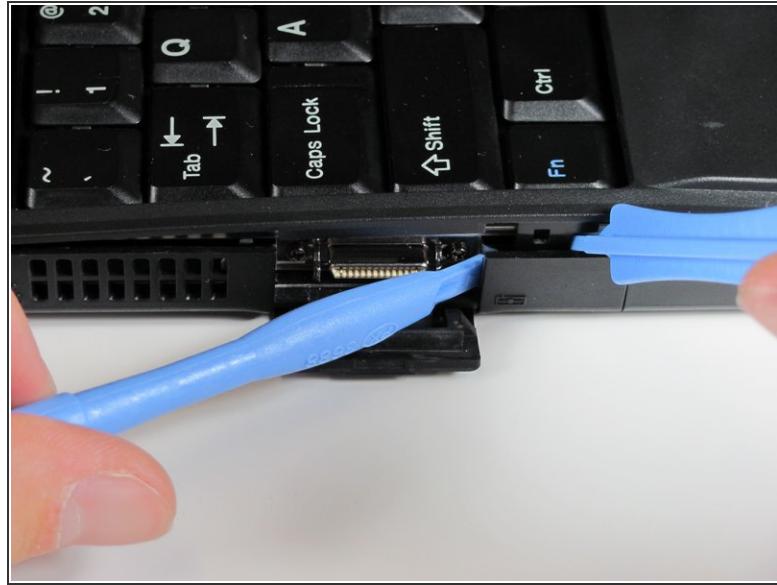
- Remove the 7 mm Phillips #0 screws.
- Remove the 10 mm Phillips #0 screws.
- Remove the 14 mm Phillips #0 screw.

## Step 2



- Open the flap on the left hand side.

## Step 3



- Insert the plastic opening tools between the right and left sides of the latch.
- Pry the right side of the latch, and then pry the left side to detach the laptop's cover.

## Step 4



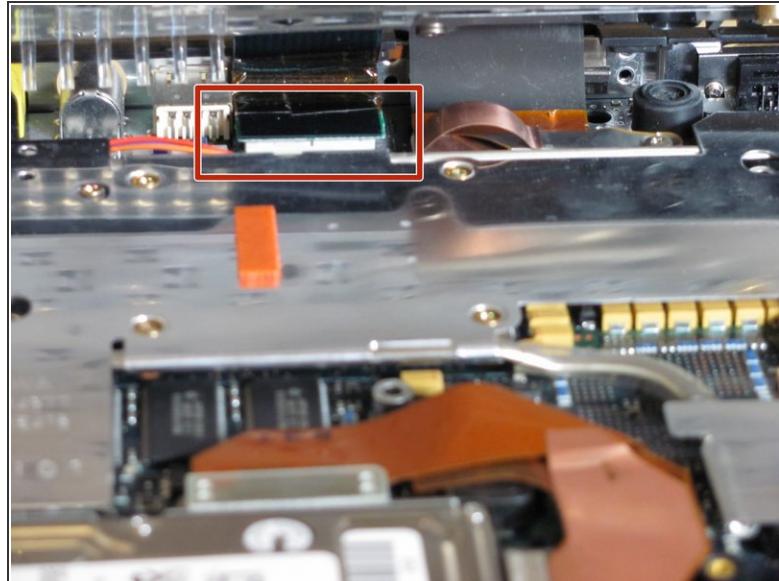
- Open the flap on the right side.

## Step 5



- Insert the plastic opening tools towards the right side of the latch.
- Gently pry the right side out to release the top cover.

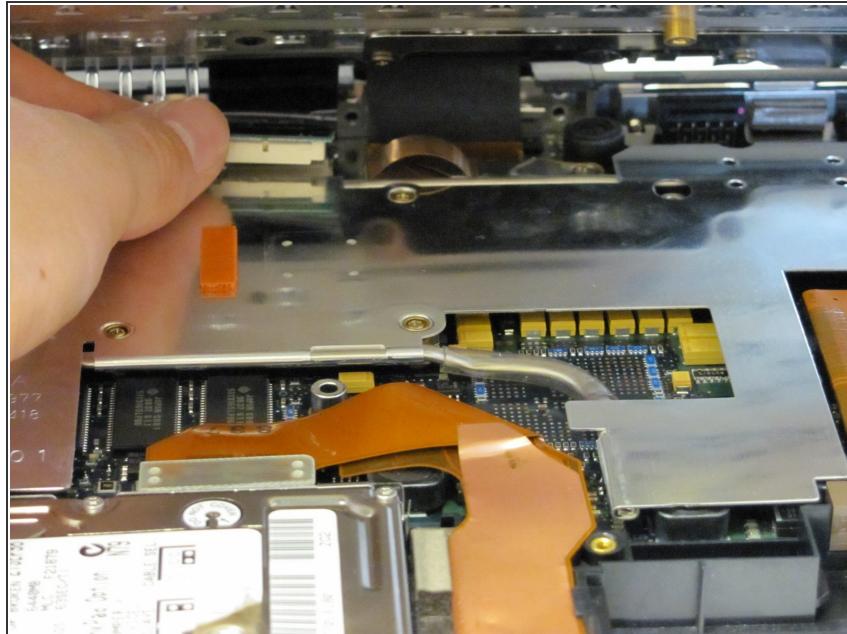
## Step 6



- Lift the keyboard slowly.

**⚠** A cable connects the keyboard to the motherboard. If you are not careful, you will damage the cable.

## Step 7



- Use your fingers or a spudger to detach the connector.

## Step 8



- Carefully lift and remove the keyboard.

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