



Kipling suitcase wheels replacement

How to change old wheels from a kipling suitcase

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INTRODUCTION

Even though the suitcase is not designed to be repaired, it is possible to replace the wheels with a little effort.



TOOLS:

- [Cordless Drill](#) (1)
- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [Adjustable Wrench](#) (1)



PARTS:

- [New Item](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Open the interior zipper



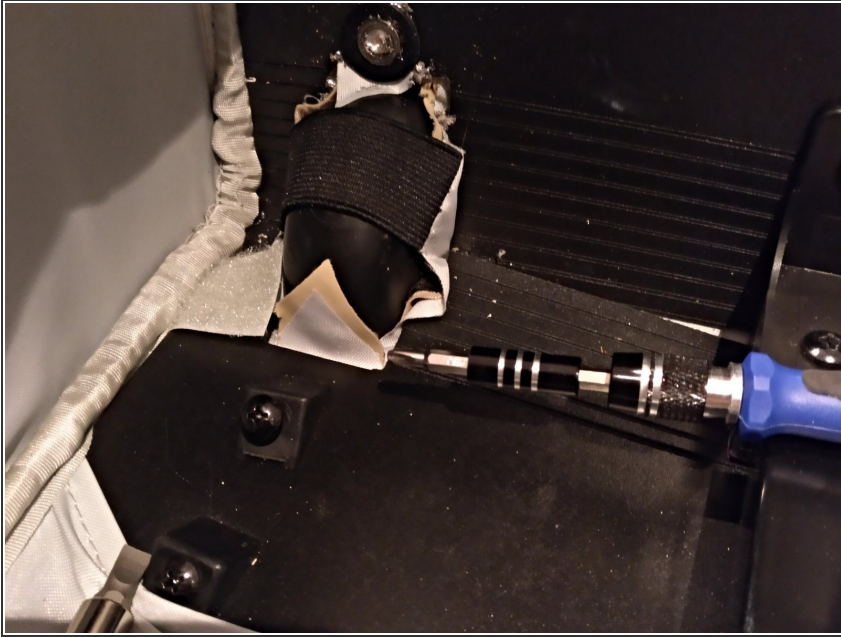
- Open the interior zipper and unlock the velcros

Step 2 — Destroy the rivet of the lower housing support



- This suitcase is clearly not designed to help replace the wheels
- One of the three anchorages is a rivet that must be destroyed in the process.
- Use a drill with a metal head of 5mm to destroy the rivet.

Step 3 — Unscrew the other two points



- Easily uncrew the other two points

Step 4 — Replace the wheel



- The wheel axis also has a rivet on it.
- Clearly, the one who designed this was not thinking about replacing the wheel.
- Use again the drill with a 5-6mm head to destroy the rivet of the wheel axis.
- Be carefull, use protection equipment.
- Retire the wheel axis
- Buy new wheels if you have not done so yet.
- To ease this task, the wheels are quite standard. So you can find them in stores, 60mm diameter.
- It is quite easy to find them online. 60mm diameter wheels. 36mm axis length.

Step 5 — Install the new wheel



- Locate the new wheel
- Insert the new axis
- Screw the screw with two tools.

Step 6 — Reinstall the housing in the suitcase



- Relocate the housing of the wheel inside the suitcase
- It might be difficult because the axis of the wheel is longer than the original one. Pushing from the inside with a screw can help. It is quite tricky.

Step 7 — Screw the support to the suitcase



- Because the rivet had to be destroyed, you will have to replace it for a new one
- A 4.5-5mm diameter screw will be needed. Two mm longer than the original one.
- Also find a matching nuts for your screws.
- For the other two points, just use the original parts.
- I have used the same plastic part for the lower screw in order to leave it as similar as possible to the original.

Step 8 — Repeat the process for the other wheel



- Perform the same actions for the other wheel

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