



RedOctane X-Plorer Whammy Bar Replacement

How to replace a RedOctane X-Plorer whammy bar.

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INTRODUCTION

The whammy bar spring can dislodge from its mounts causing the bar to lose tension. This guide will show you how to replace the whammy bar spring.



TOOLS:

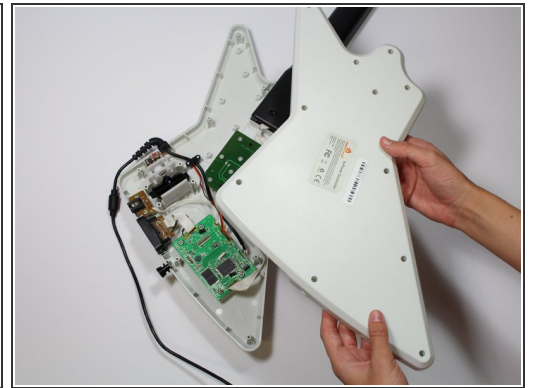
- [Phillips #1 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Rear Case



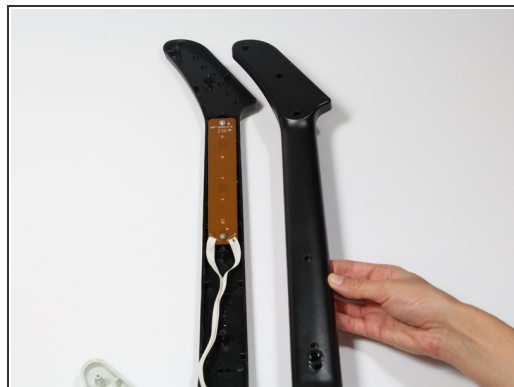
- Remove the strap by pulling it off of the mounts located on the body and neck.

Step 2



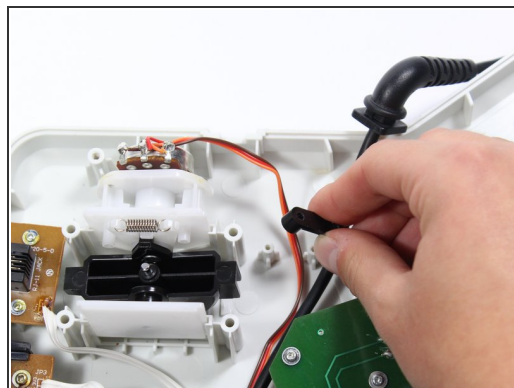
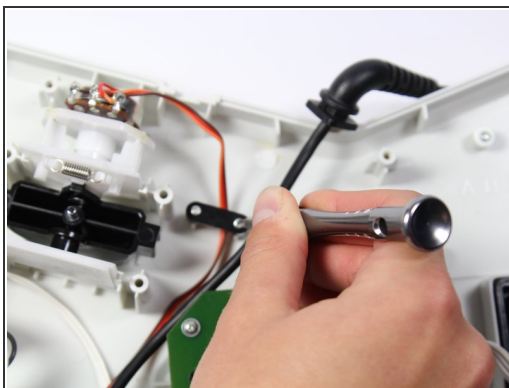
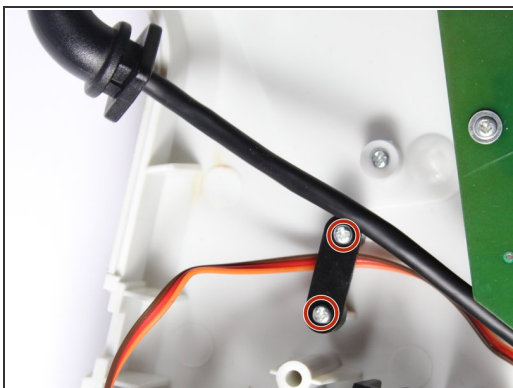
- Remove the nine 12mm Phillips #1 screws around the perimeter of the case with a screwdriver.
- Remove the two 15mm Phillips #1 screws connecting the body panel to the neck panel with a screwdriver.
- ⓘ These screws can also be Torx on some models.
- Pull off the rear case.

Step 3



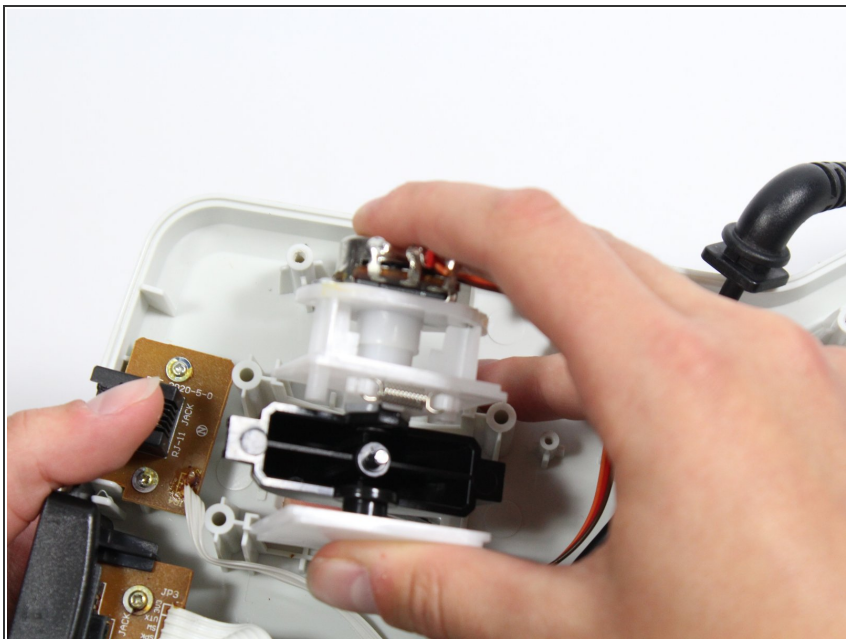
- Remove the five 12mm Phillips #1 screws along the neck with a screwdriver.
- Pull off the top shell of the neck to expose the internal features.

Step 4 — Whammy Bar



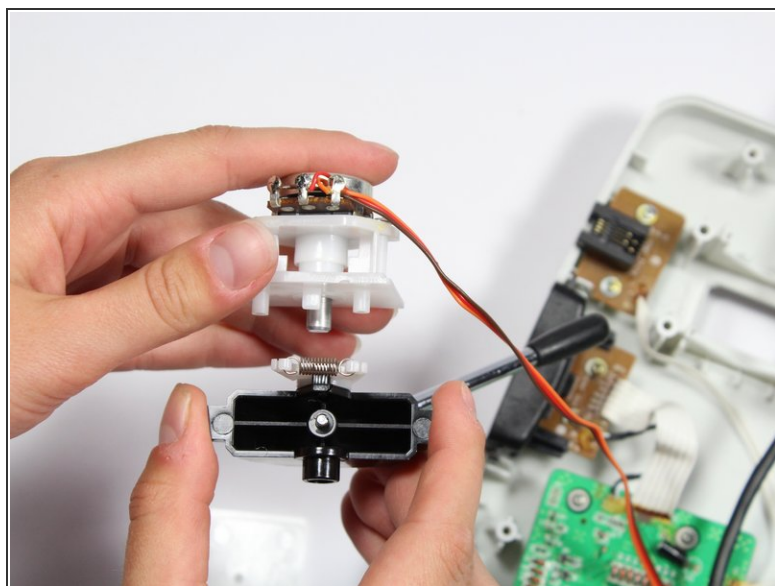
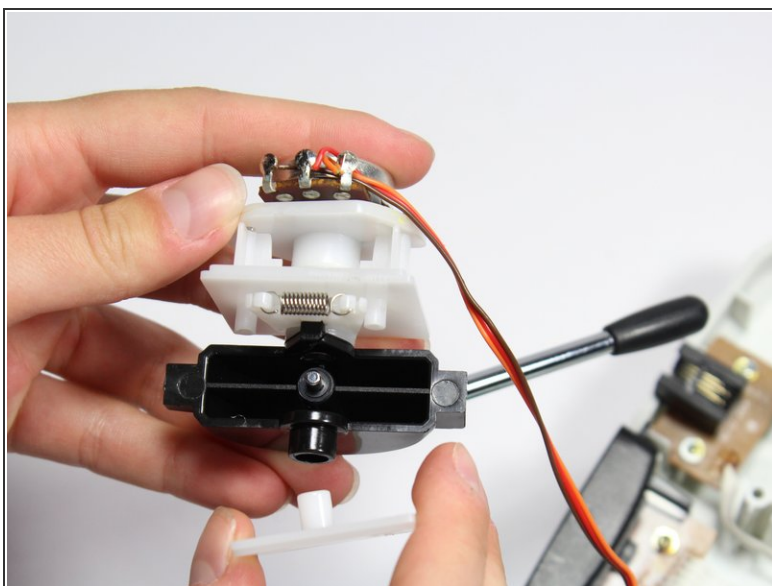
- Remove the two 7mm Phillips #2 screws from the black wire retainer.
- Pull off the black wire retainer.

Step 5



- Reach one finger under the guitar to push the whammy bar and its attached components from the case.

Step 6



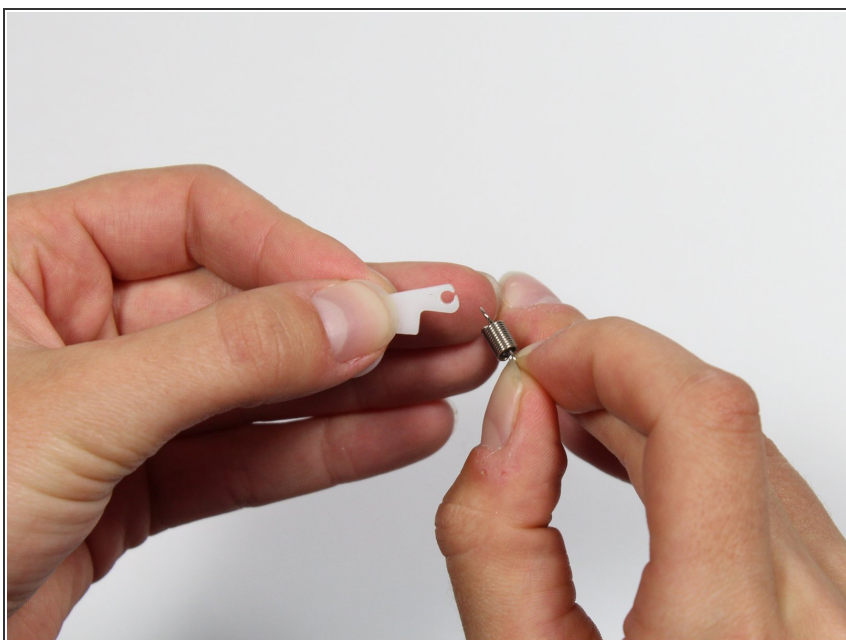
- Remove both of the plastic side tabs by gently pulling them off.

Step 7



- Remove the two plastic tabs from the whammy bar casing.
- ⓘ Keep the spring connected to the plastic tabs throughout this step.

Step 8



- Using two hands, remove the spring from the plastic tabs.

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