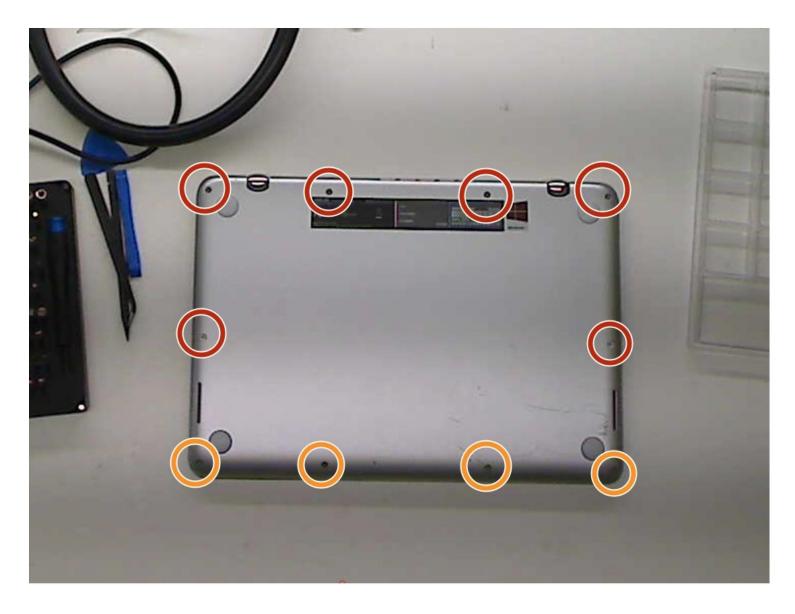


Asus Q304UA Motherboard Replacement

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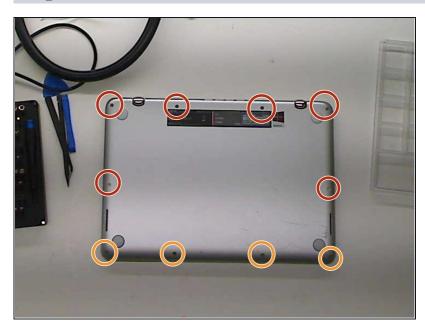


TOOLS: 1

Pro Tech Toolkit (1)

PARTS:

ASUS Q304UA 2-in-1 Motherboard (1)



Step 1 — Remove the bottom cover

- Remove ten Phillips #0 screws that secure the plastic bottom cover to the chassis.
 - Six 9.6 mm screws
 - Four 4.6 mm screws
- Throughout this guide, <u>keep</u> <u>careful track of your screws</u> so that each one goes back where it came from during reassembly. Installing a screw in the wrong place can cause permanent damage.

Step 2

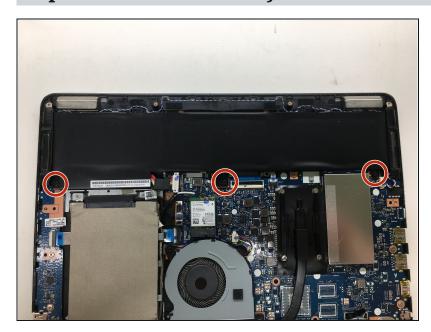


Use a plastic pry tool to get in-between the bottom cover and the lower case assembly.
 A Be careful not separate the cover too violently or you will risk breaking the plastic clips that are on the bottom cover.

Step 3 — Disconnect the battery



- Push metal bracket away from battery connector.
- Use a spudger to push the battery connection straight up.
- A If you pry too hard, or attempt to disconnect the battery with the metal bracket still in place, you risk pulling the connector off of the motherboard.
- Make sure the computer is powered off before removing the battery.



Step 4 — Remove the battery

- Remove the Phillips #0 screws that secure the battery to the lower case assembly
 - Three 4.7 mm screws.



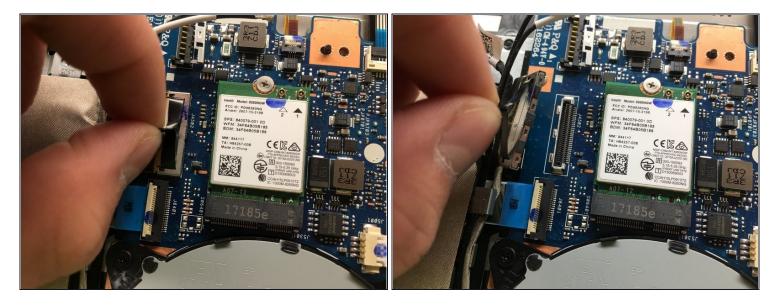
- Tilt battery up from the side closest to the motherboard
- Pull the battery out of the chassis away from the two plastic retainers near the front of the laptop.

Step 6 — Disconnect RF cables



Disconnect the Wifi/Bluetooth RF cables from the wireless card.
 Pull the RF cables by the metal connector, not by the rubber shielding. This avoids damaging the connector and the cable.

Step 7 — Remove the drive



• Pull straight up to disconnect the SATA combo cable from the motherboard.

Step 8

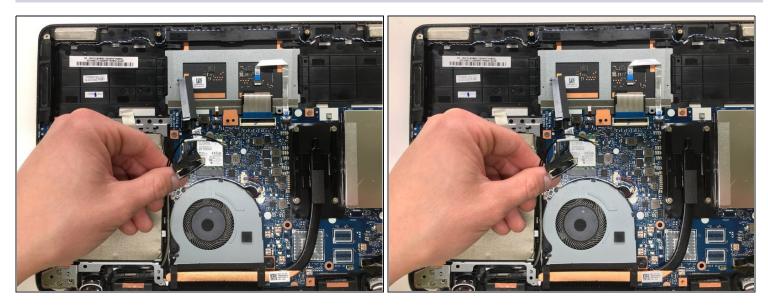


- Remove three Phillips #0 that secure the hard drive bracket to the chassis, of the following lengths:
 - Two 2.3 mm screws
 - One 5.6 mm screw



- Tilt the drive up slightly by the connector
- Remove the SATA combo connector

Step 10

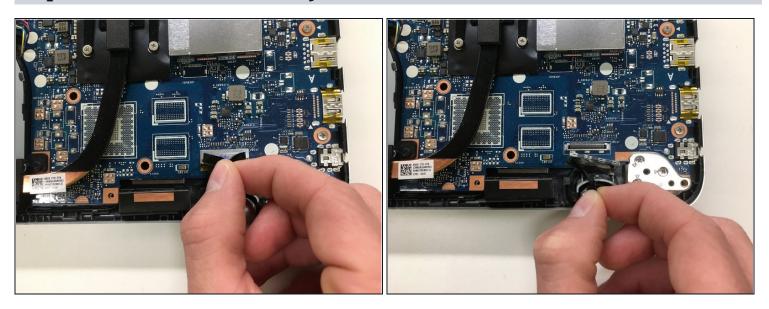


• De-route the SATA and RF cables from the side of the drive bay.



• Remove the drive from the laptop.

Step 12 — Motherboard Assembly

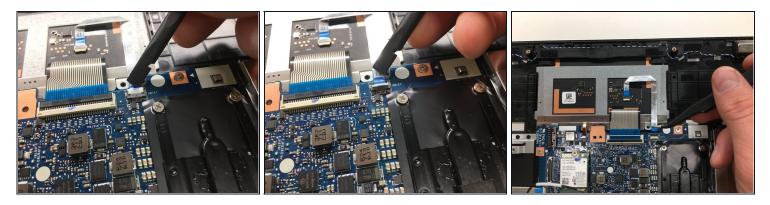


• Pull straight up to disconnect the display cable



Use a Spudger to push the left speaker cable out the connector.
 Do not pull up on this connector. Only pull directly away from the connector.

Step 14



• Use a spudger to flip up the retaining flap on the trackpad ribbon cable ZIP socket.

 \triangle Be sure you are prying up on the hinged retaining flap, **not** the socket itself.

• Use <u>tweezers</u> to pull the ribbon cable straight out of the ZIF socket.



• Use the tip of a spudger to flip cup the retaining flap on the keyboard ribbon cable ZIF socket.

A Be sure you are prying up on the hinged retaining flap, **not** the socket itself.

• Use tweezers to remove the ribbon cable from the socket.

Step 16



- Use a spudger to flip up the retaining flap on the ribbon cable ZIP socket.
 A Be sure you are prying up on the hinged retaining flap, not the socket itself.
- Use tweezers pull the ribbon cable out of the ZIF socket.



• Use the tip of a spudger to flip up the retaining flap on the daughterboard ribbon cable ZIF socket on the motherboard.

A Be sure you are prying up on the hinged retaining flap, **not** the socket itself.

• Use tweezers to pull the ribbon cable away from the ZIF socket

Step 18



• Use the tip of spudger to push out the fan connector.

⚠ Do not pull up on the connector, only pull out so to not damage the connector.



- Remove the four Phillips screws securing the logic board to the lower case assembly.
 - One 2.3 mm screw
 - Three 3.7 mm screws

Step 20



- Remove the three Phillips screws connecting the fan to the lower case assembly.
 - Three 4.6 mm screws



- Remove the three Phillips screws securing the left hinge to the corner of the motherboard and lower case assembly.
 - Three 5.6 mm screws
- Take a plastic pry tool and open the hinge about 75°-85°
- You may have to open the laptop over the edge of a table and open the display in order to open the hinge.

Step 22 — Remove Motherboard



- Pull up on the corner of the motherboard and remove from the laptop.
- (i) Be sure to clear all of the plastic standoffs that go through the motherboard.

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

**I am not responsible for any damages caused by any attempts at this repair. Use at your own risk.