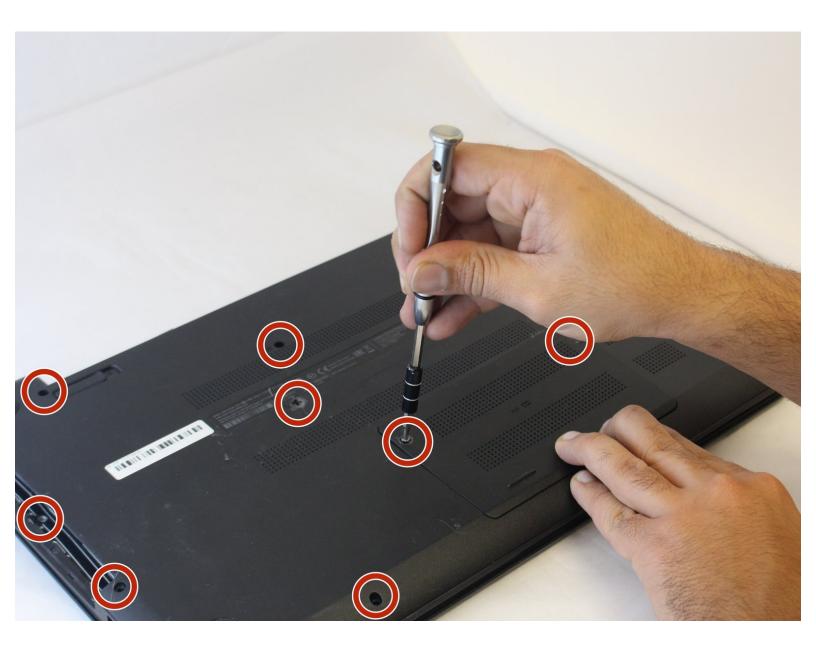


# HP 15-f162dx Motherboard Replacement

This guide will help you replace the motherboard in the HP 15-f162dx.

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# INTRODUCTION

Technical problems with a motherboard, caused by improper handling, humidity, power supply spikes, or many other reasons, can lead to a great deal of deterioration of user experience. This guide will help you understand the process of replacing the motherboard on the HP 15-f162dx laptop.

Before the start of the replacement process, make sure to disconnect the laptop from its power supply and place the device on a flat work surface with plenty of space around it to avoid mishandling the delicate components.

### **TOOLS:**

- Fingers (1)
- Essential Electronics Toolkit (1)
- Metal Spudger (1)

## Step 1 — Battery



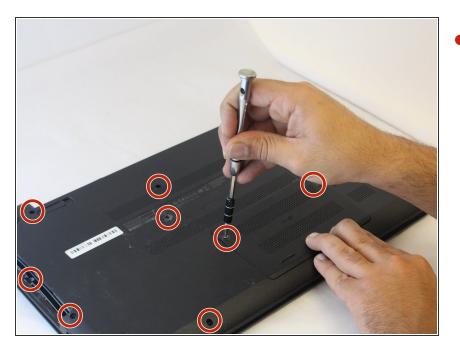
• Pull back the lock.

# Step 2



Take off the battery

#### Step 3 — Motherboard



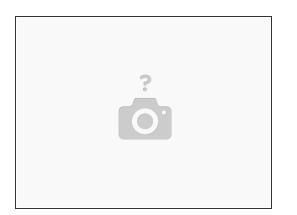
- Use a Flathead 2.5 mm Phillips screwdriver to remove all of the screws on the backside of the laptop.
  - There are 14 screws on the back plate in total, make sure to remove them all before proceeding.
- Apply gentle pressure when undoing the screws to preserve the condition of screw heads for future repairs or servicing.

#### Step 4



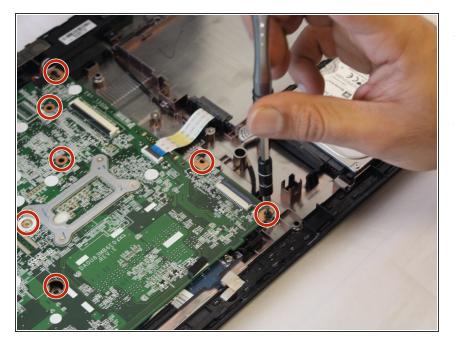
- Once all screws have been removed , place the laptop on a flat surface and insert a metal spudger in a gap between the top side coverings.
- Once inserted, move the spudger around the base, lifting the top edge about quarter of an inch. Gently go around the edge repeating the action.
  - (i) The sharp popping sound that the latches on the inside will produce is normal and does not signify anything being broken.
  - While some force will be required in this step, make sure not to over-apply pressure since extra force might break the plastic latches.

#### Step 5



 After all of the inside latches have been dislodged, remove the front cover. Now is a good time to clean the dust that collects in the device after prolonged use.

#### Step 6



- Use Phillips JIS J00 screwdriver to undo the screws that attach the motherboard to the back cover.
- Again, make sure to apply only a gentle pressure when undoing the screws.
  - Be very careful: If the metal head of the screwdriver slips during the process, it can damage the motherboard. While not relevant in case of removing a broken motherboard, it is crucial while putting in a new one.

#### Step 7

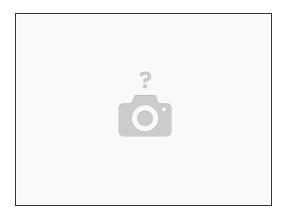


• Locate and disconnect the wires that are connected to the motherboard.

Do not use any kind of metal instrument to assist you in this process since it can damage the contacts of the wires.

 Instead, you can use a credit card or a plastic spudger included in the Essential Electronics Toolkit.

## Step 8



• After the wires have been disconnected, gently lift the motherboard out of the laptop.

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