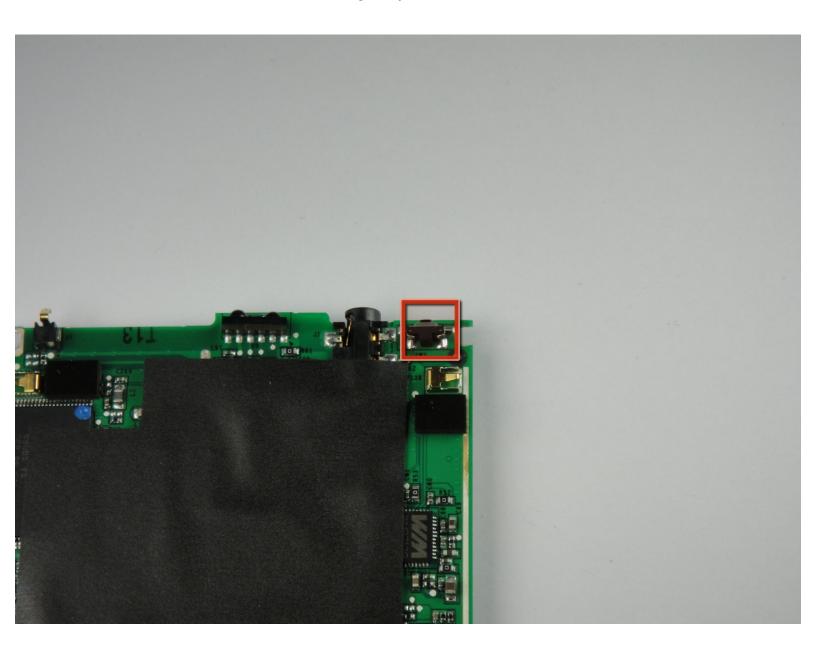


Palm TX Power Button Replacement

How to repair the Palm T|X power button.

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INTRODUCTION

An unresponsive power button is a very common problem. Typically, this problem occurs when the solder between the power button and the motherboard weakens. For more information and other fixing alternatives see the link below:

http://forum.brighthand.com/palm-tx/2358...



TOOLS:

- iFixit Opening Tools (1)
- Soldering Workstation (1)
- T5 Torx Screwdriver (1)

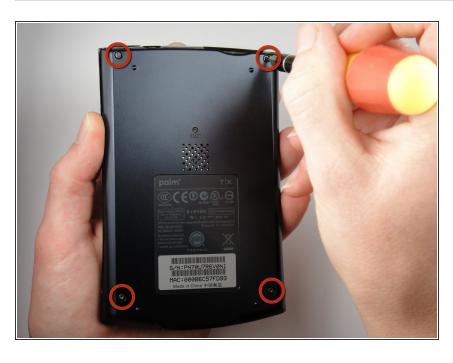
Step 1 — Back Panel





- Orient the device so that the display faces forward.
- Remove the stylus from the right side.

Step 2

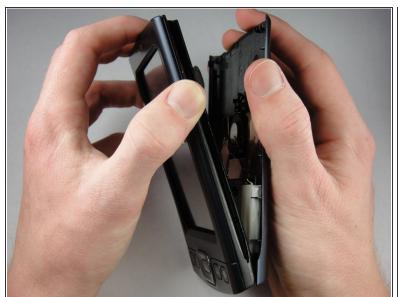


- Turn over the device so that the back panel faces forward.
- Use a T5 Torx screwdriver to remove the four 6.35mm corner screws.



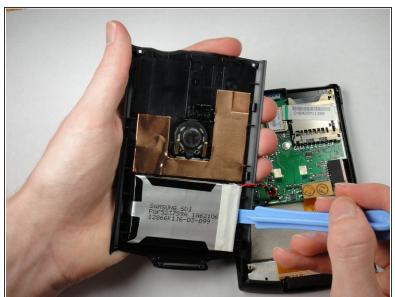


- Rotate the device so that the display faces forward.
- Insert a plastic opening tool with the angled tip pointing downward into the crevice on the left side of the device.
- Pry along the crevice to loosen the back panel.
- Repeat this process for the right side.





- Carefully pry the back panel to open the device.
- ♠ Be careful not to break the wire that connects the battery pack to the motherboard.
- (i) When reassembling, snap the back panel back into place and then insert the top cover.





- Use a plastic opening tool to peel the battery pack from the back panel.
- (i) The battery pack is glued to the back panel so removing it may require considerable effort.

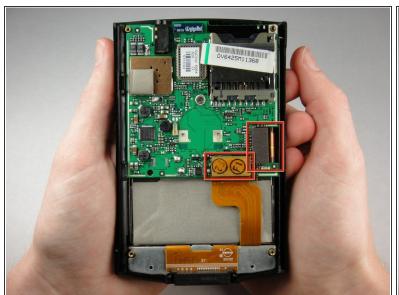
Step 6 — Battery Pack

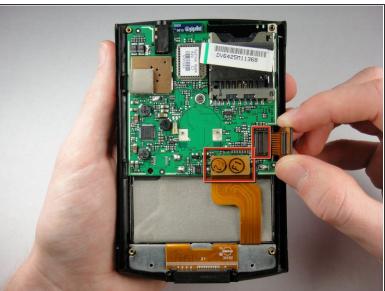




- Use a soldering iron to disconnect the battery wires from the motherboard.
- For soldering instructions, you can view the <u>Soldering Guide</u>.

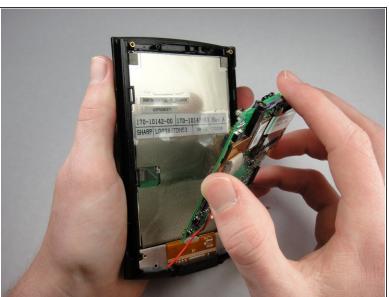
Step 7 — Motherboard





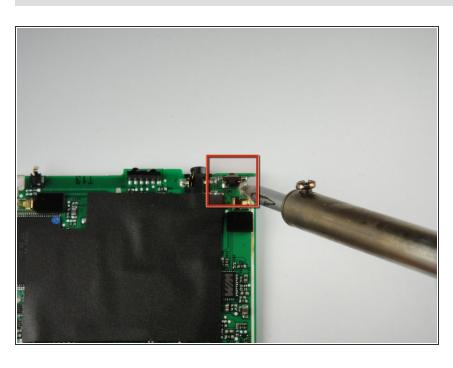
 Pull straight up on the ribbon cables located on the bottom right of the motherboard to disconnect them.





- Lift the mother board out of the device.
- (i) A weak adhesive attaches the motherboard to the device.
- (i) The red wire in the picture will not be attached to your device at this point.

Step 9 — Power Button



- Flip the motherboard so that the black rubber cover faces upward.
 The power switch is in the top right corner.
- Remove the button with a soldering iron.
- For soldering instructions, view the Soldering Guide.

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