

How to Replace a Standard Door Lock

How to replace a standard door lock for the front of a home.

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INTRODUCTION

If your door lock has finally succumbed to wear-and-tear or is no longer functioning the way it should, the steps in this guide will show you how to fully replace and install a new one.

A faulty door lock can lead to an unsafe environment and potentially cause harm to those occupying the property.

Before using this guide, ensure that the area around the lock and the door is clear of any debris that may interfere with the removal and installation of the new lock. Generally a small brush or cloth can be used to clear a small build up of dust or debris.

Additionally, make sure a cloth or container is placed below the door in case the lock falls off during installation to ensure no damage is done to the floor.

This fix should be relatively straight-forward and will take around 15-20 minutes to complete and won't require any special skills.

Once you've cleared the area and have your tools ready, please proceed to step 1!



TOOLS:

- Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)
- Towel (1)
- Plastic container (1)



PARTS:

Painter's Tape (1)

Step 1 — Standard Door Lock





- Place a piece of tape on both sides of the lock to ensure it doesn't fall on the floor once unscrewed.
- Make sure enough tape is placed on the lock as the current door lock may be heavier than expected and could fall off once unscrewed.
- Ensure the surrounding area is free of any debris or dust that may interfere with the installation.
- Place a towel, cloth, or even a container/bucket on the area below the door in case the lock falls to ensure no damage is done to the floor or the surrounding area.

Step 2



- Use your Phillips #0 screwdriver to remove the two 70 mm pan head screws on the side that holds the lock in place.
- i Hold one side of the lock for extra stability if required.

Step 3





Remove the tape on both sides of the lock carefully.

Step 4







Align your new lock with the given holes on the door.

Step 5





- Place a piece of tape on both sides of the new lock to ensure the lock does not move when placing the screws.
- Make sure the enough tape is placed on the lock as it may fall off depending on the weight of the door lock.
- Place a cloth or container underneath the lock in case it falls off to ensure no damage is done to the floor or the surrounding area.

Step 6







- Place the 70 mm pan head screws in the given holes and use your Phillips #0 screwdriver to screw them in accordingly.
- (i) Hold one side of the lock for extra stability if required.

Congratulations! You have successfully installed your new door lock!