



Dell Inspiron 1525 Keyboard Replacement

Replace the keyboard in a Dell Inspiron 1525.

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INTRODUCTION

Use this guide to help you replace the keyboard in a Dell Inspiron 1525.

TOOLS:

- [Phillips #1 Screwdriver](#) (1)
 - [Spudger](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Battery



- Locate the battery release switch on the bottom of the laptop.

Step 2



- Slide the battery release switch away from the lock symbol until you hear the battery click.
- Slide the battery towards the back of the laptop until it comes free.

Step 3 — Central Control Cover



- Remove the two 4.00 mm Phillips #1 screws from the battery tray.

Step 4



- Insert the flat end of a spudger into the slot on the right side of the central control cover and pry it up.
 - Carefully pull the central control cover up along its edges.
- ⚠** Do not attempt to completely remove the cover, as it is still attached via a ribbon cable.

Step 5



- Peel back the silver tape securing the ribbon cable to the cover.
- Pull the small brown latch on the ribbon cable connector out.
- Disconnect the ribbon cable to completely free the central control cover.

Step 6 — Keyboard



- Remove the two 5.75 mm Phillips #1 screws securing the keyboard to the laptop.
- Gently slide the keyboard towards the display until the tabs on its front side are free.
- ⚠ Do not force the keyboard too far forward or attempt to remove it yet, as there is still a ribbon cable connected to it.

Step 7



- Use a spudger to gently lift the ribbon cable retaining flap.
- Disconnect the ribbon cable.
- Shift the keyboard sideways enough to free one side from its retaining tab. Then lift the keyboard away from the laptop.

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