



# MacBook Pro 15" Unibody Late 2008 and Early 2009 Hard Drive Replacement

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# INTRODUCTION

Hard drive jam packed with files? Replacing your hard drive is easy.



## TOOLS:

- [Phillips #00 Screwdriver](#) (1)



## PARTS:

- [320 GB 5400 RPM 2.5" Hard Drive](#) (1)
- [320 GB 7200 RPM Seagate SATA Hard Drive \(New\)](#) (1)
- [500 GB 5400 RPM 2.5" Hard Drive](#) (1)
- [500 GB 7200 RPM 2.5" Hard Drive](#) (1)

## Step 1 — Access Door



- With the case closed, place the Unibody top-side down on a flat surface.
- Depress the grooved side of the access door release latch enough to grab the free end. Lift the release latch until it is vertical.

## Step 2



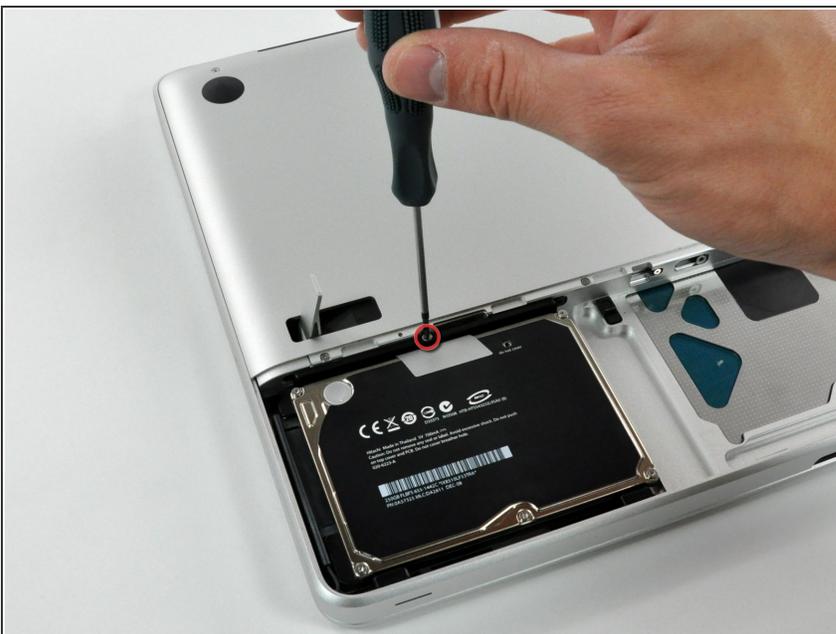
- The access door should now be raised enough to lift it up and out of the Unibody.

## Step 3 — Battery



- ⓘ Be sure the access door release latch is vertical before proceeding.
- Grab the translucent plastic tab and pull the battery up and out of the Unibody.
- If the latch is depressed it will lock the battery in place.

## Step 4 — Hard Drive



- Remove the single Phillips screw securing the hard drive bracket to the upper case.
- ★ This screw is captive to the hard drive bracket.

## Step 5



- Lift the hard drive by its pull tab enough to grab and remove the retaining bracket.
- Lift the hard drive out of the upper case, minding the cable attaching it to the computer.

## Step 6



- Remove the hard drive from its cable by pulling the cable connector straight away from the drive.

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