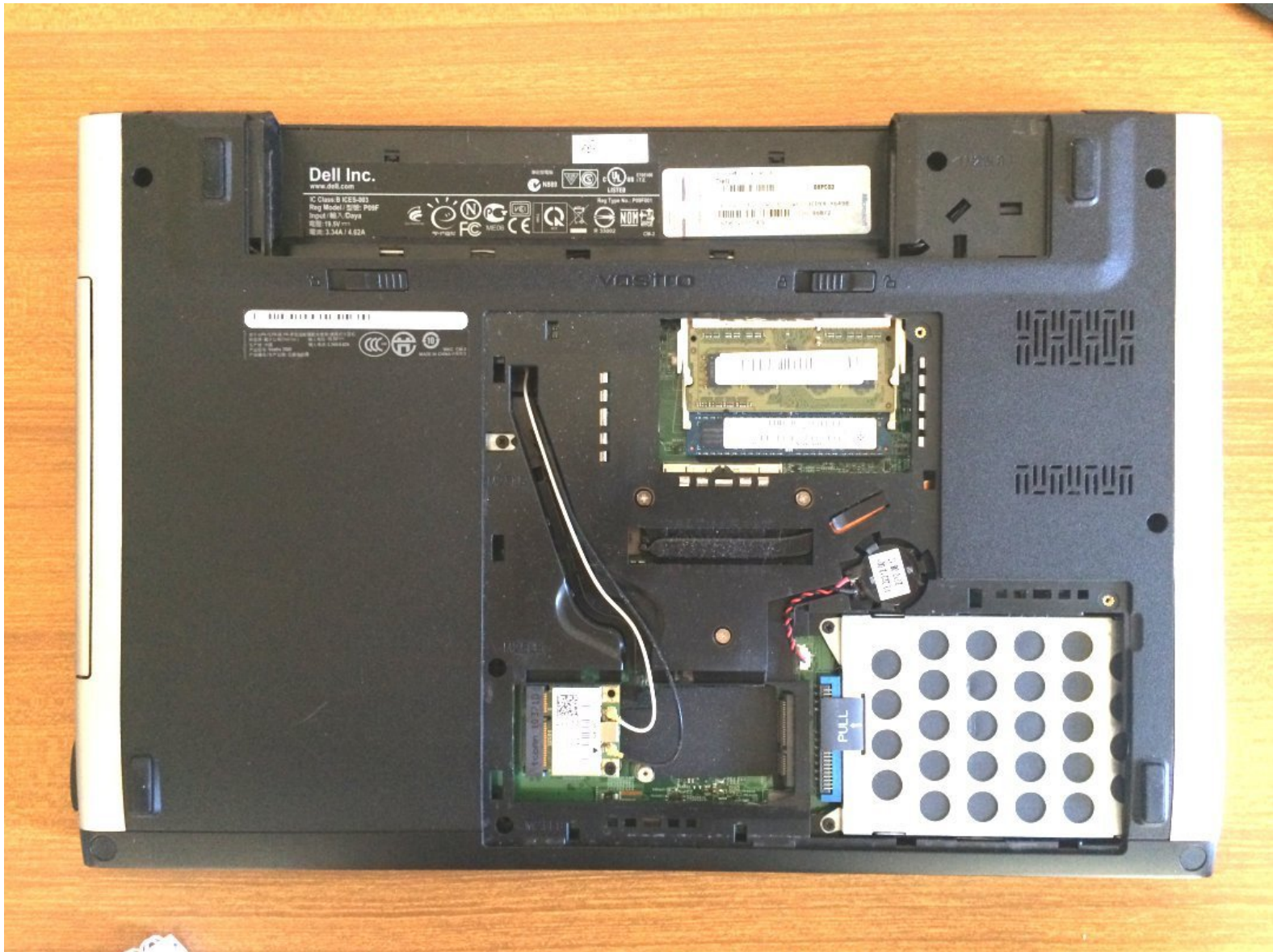




Dell Vostro 3500 CD/DVD drive Replacement

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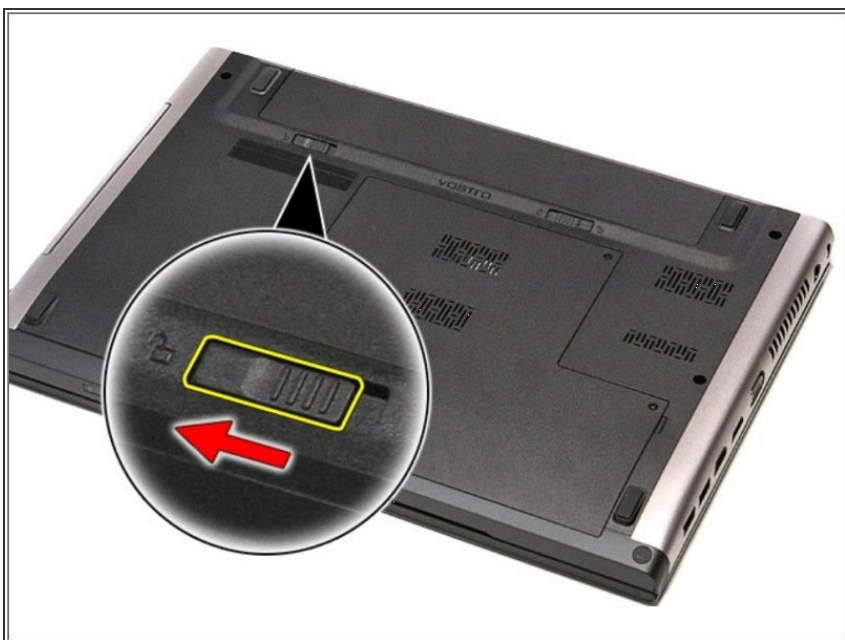
- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Sliding the Battery Latch



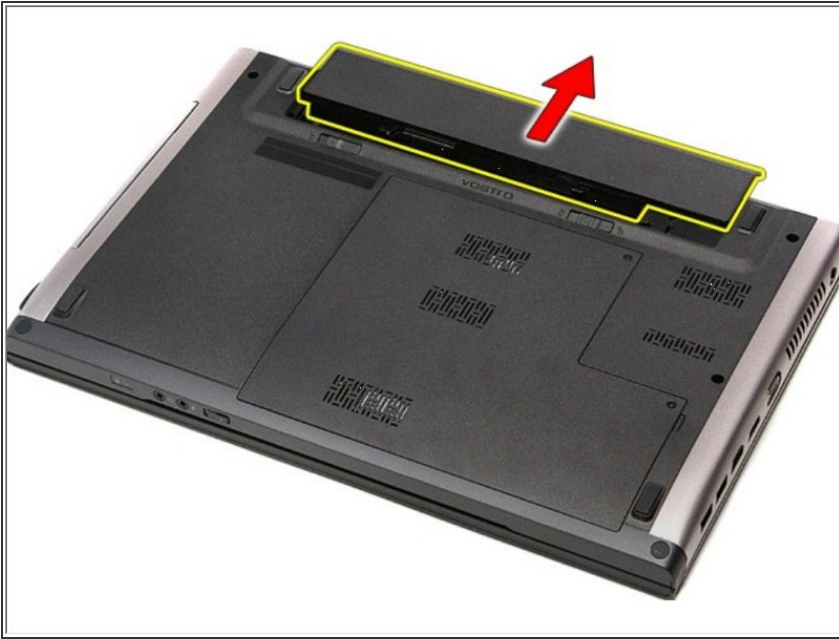
- Flip the computer over.
- Slide the battery release latch to the unlock position.

Step 2 — Sliding the Battery Release Latch



- Slide the other battery release latch to the unlock position.

Step 3 — Removing the Battery



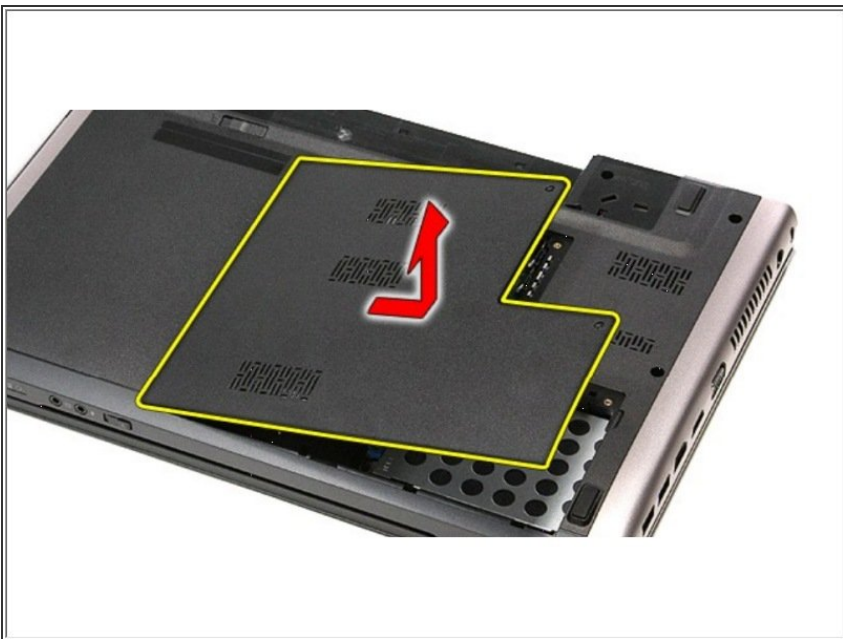
- Slide the battery and remove it from the computer.

Step 4 — Remove the Screws



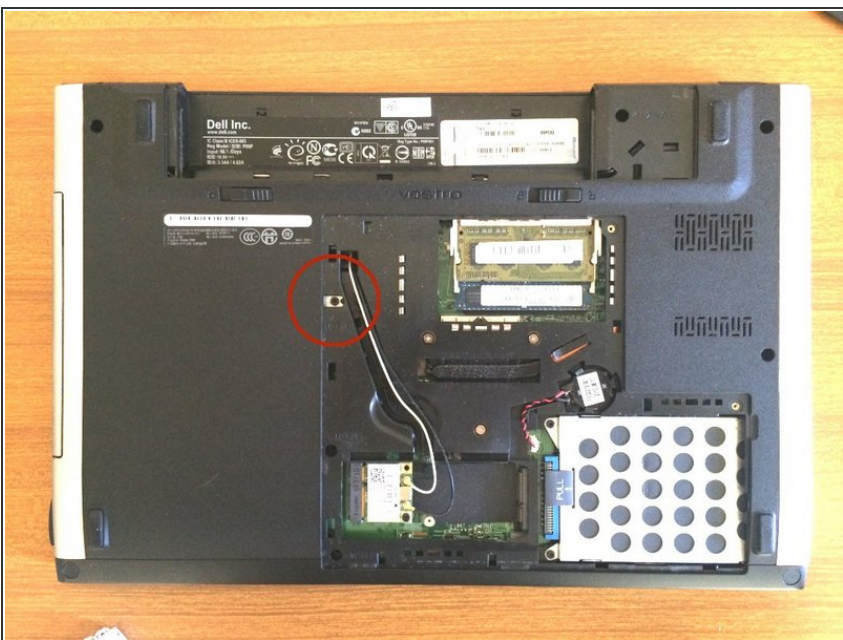
- Turn the laptop over and remove two screws securing the service cover.

Step 5 — Removing the Base Cover



- Pry up the service cover and remove it from the computer. Clips along the edges can be snapped open except for those on the left hand edge (as shown in the photo) which have to be disengaged after all the others by removing the cover in the direction shown.
- On resassembly, insert the clips on the left hand edge then snap all the others home by applying firm pressure along the other edges of the cover.

Step 6 — CD/DVD drive removal



- Remove a single screw from under the service cover.
- You should now be able to slide the CD/DVD drive out.

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