



Ukulele Tuning Pegs Replacement

How to replace a ukulele tuning peg.

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INTRODUCTION

All musical instruments have to undergo repairs at points throughout their useful life. In this case, broken tuning pegs on a ukulele affect the tuning of the strings and therefore cause its sound to lose accuracy.

This guide describes how to fasten new tuning pegs to the fret board of a ukulele. Skills needed are basic motor skills and ability to use a screwdriver. New tuning pegs can be purchased online or in your local music store.



TOOLS:

- [Phillips head screwdriver Size PH00](#) (1)



PARTS:

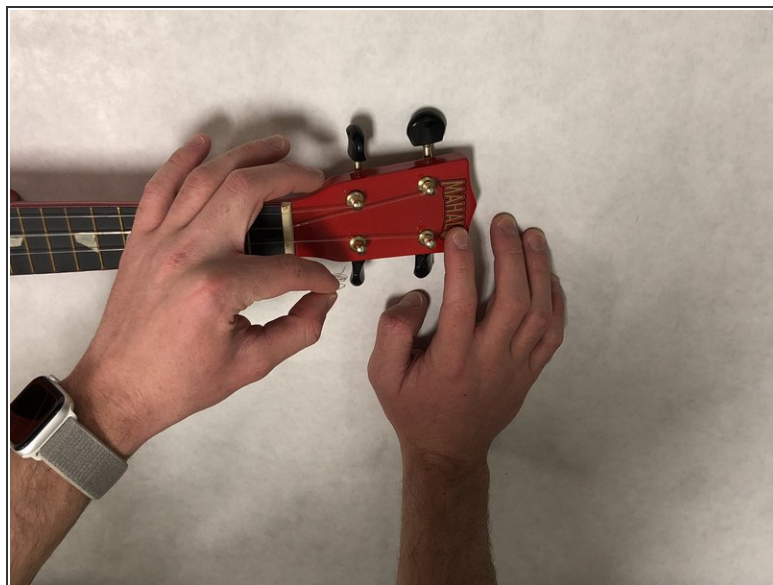
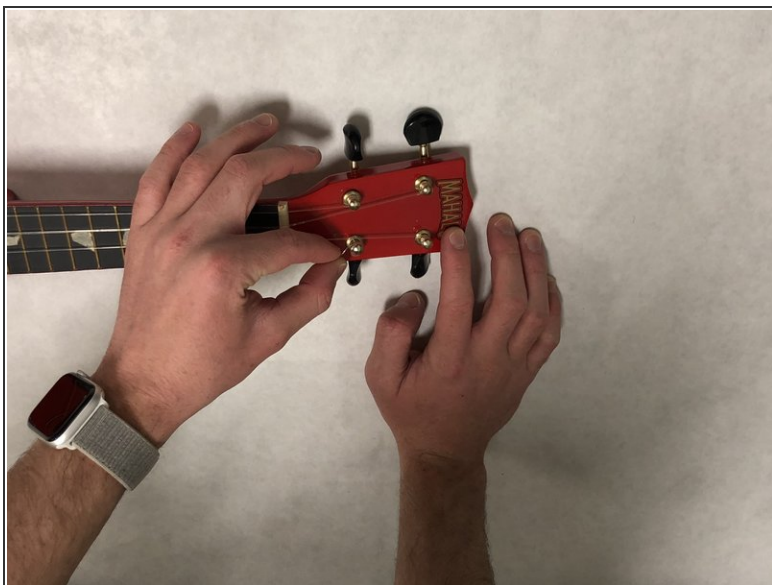
- [Ukelele Tuning Heads](#) (1)

Step 1 — Tuning Pegs



- Place the ukulele on a flat surface.
- Completely unwind the string connected to the broken tuning peg by turning the black knob clockwise.

Step 2



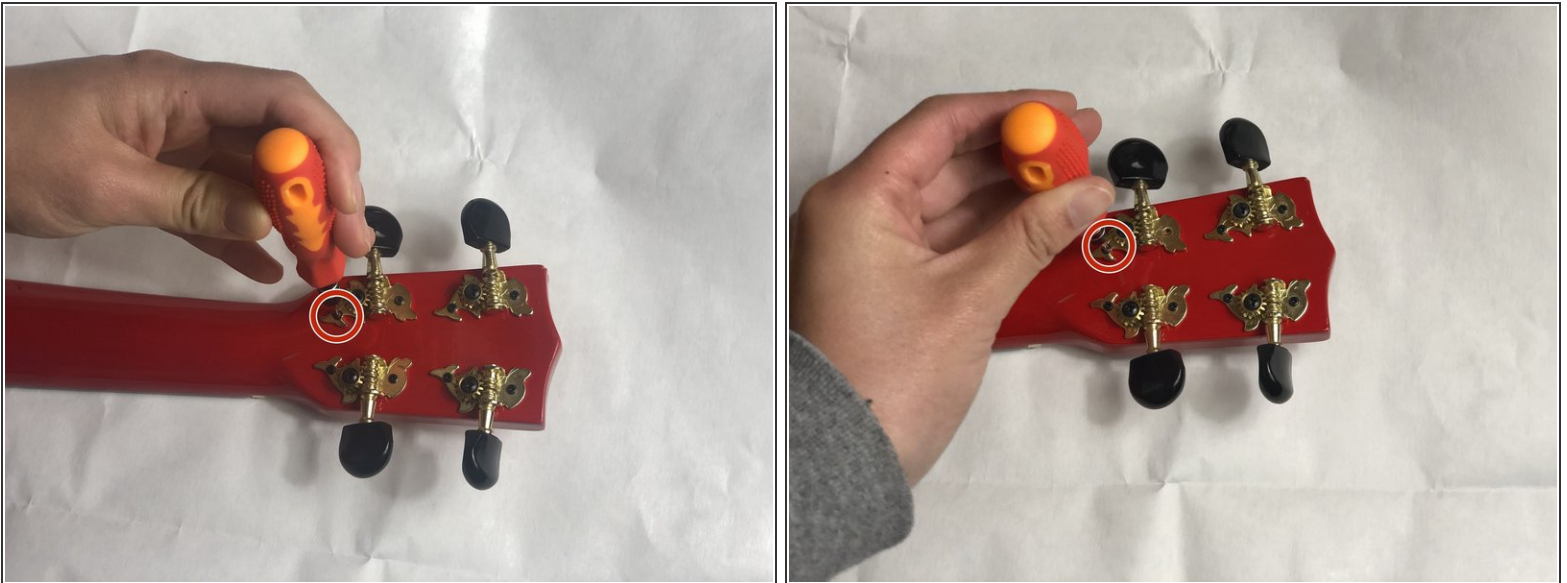
- Place the ukulele string in between your index finger and thumb.
- Pull the ukulele string from the hole on the tuning peg.

Step 3



- Turn the ukulele over, and note the placement of the screws attaching the tuning pegs to the head of the ukulele.
- Using the PH00 screwdriver, turn the first screw counter clockwise to loosen.

Step 4



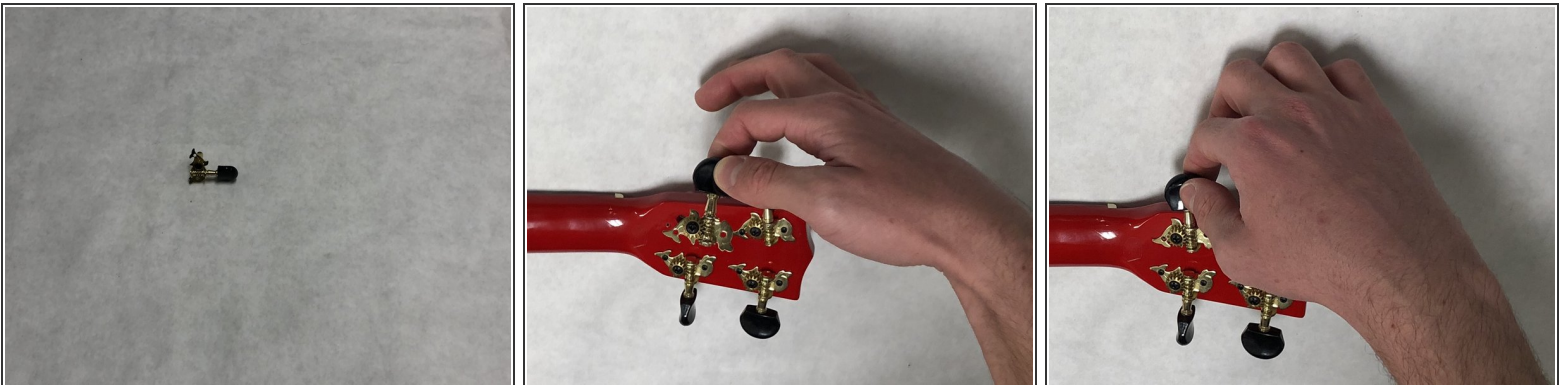
- Using the PH00 screwdriver, turn the second screw counter clockwise to loosen.
- Set the screws aside to use for later.

Step 5



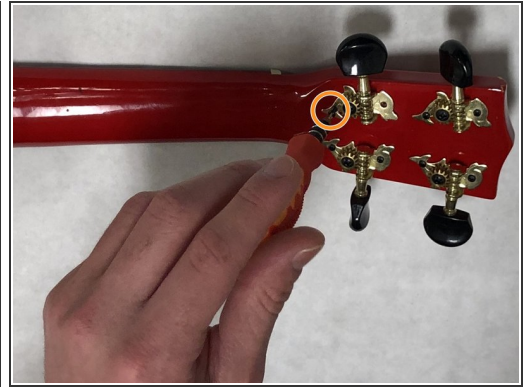
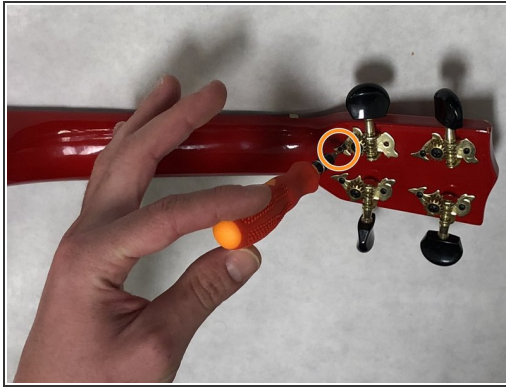
- Place the tuning peg knob in between your thumb and index finger.
- Pull the old tuning peg completely off the ukulele.

Step 6



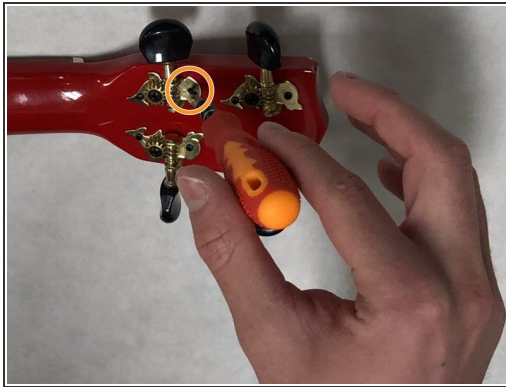
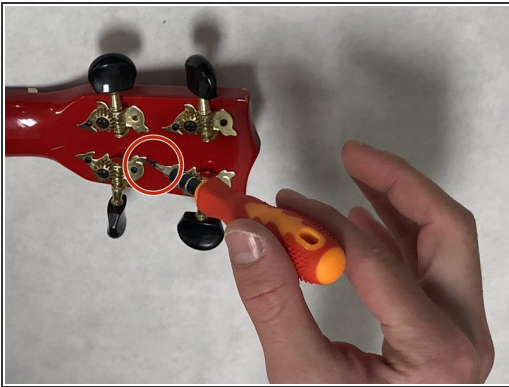
- Have the new tuning peg clean and ready to replace the old tuning peg.
 - Place the new tuning peg onto the hole in the fret board.
- i** Make sure the two holes that the two screws came out of are lined up to the two holes on the back of the fret board.

Step 7



- Place one of the screws onto the PH00 screwdriver tip.
- Line up the screw to a hole in the tuning peg and tighten by turning the PH00 screwdriver clockwise.

Step 8



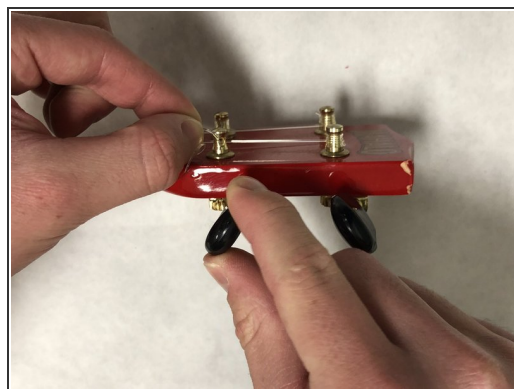
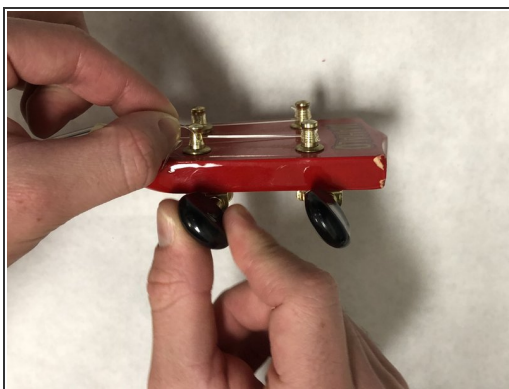
- Place the other screw onto the PH00 screwdriver tip.
- Line up the screw to the remaining hole and tighten it by turning the PH00 screwdriver clockwise.
- ⓘ Tighten screws just until the screws are no longer loose. If you over tighten the screws, you might crack the wood.

Step 9



- Turn the ukulele on its side.

Step 10



- Insert the string into the hole of the tuning peg
- Continue holding the string, and turn the black knob of the tuning peg counter-clockwise until the string is correctly tuned.

Step 11



- Enjoy your refurbished ukulele.