

IBM ThinkPad T42 Display Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

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TOOLS:

Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)

Step 1 — Bottom cover



 Using a Phillips #0 screwdriver, identify and unscrew the twenty screws located on the underside of the T42.

Step 2 — Rear screws



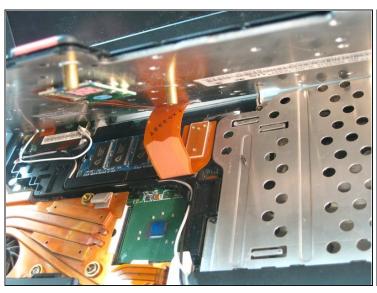
 Unscrew the four Phillips screws located on either side of the rear of the T42 (there are two located on each end.)

Step 3 — Keyboard and Trackpad



- Flip the laptop over and open the screen to access the keyboard and trackpad.
- i The keyboard and trackpad are connected to the motherboard. Before removing the keyboard and trackpad, disconnect both components from the motherboard, as shown in the following step.
 - ⚠ The bezel and keyboard will be loose, be careful.

Step 4





• Carefully maneuver the palm rest away from the keyboard, as both the keyboard and palm rest/trackpad will come off together.

A Remember, both the keyboard and trackpad have connectors to the motherboard. Disconnect these before completely removing either component.

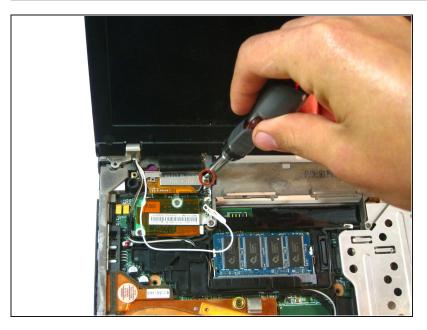
Step 5 — Bezel Removal





 Remove the plastic bezel along the edges, you may need to pry the areas circled with a spudger to remove the bezel.

Step 6 — Display Screws



- Unscrew the screws holding down the display.
- (i) Along with the one pictured in red, there is another one along the top right edge.

Step 7 — Display and Ribbon Cable Removal



 Carefully unplug the display ribbon on the motherboard, then carefully lift the display free from the device.

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