



Muffled Microphone

Follow this guide when applying adhesive strips to a iMac Intel 21.5" Retina 4K Display (2017) to prevent covering the microphone.

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INTRODUCTION

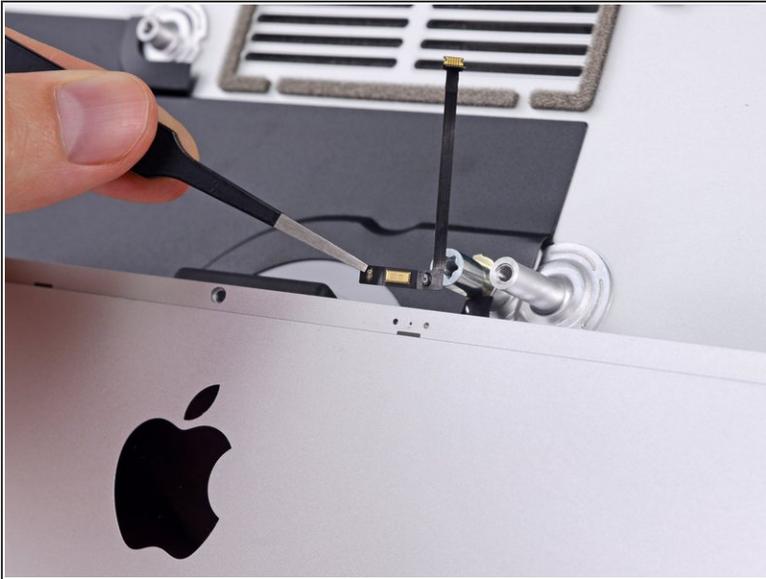
Please refer to the [iMac Intel 21.5" Retina 4K Display \(2017\) Adhesive Strips Replacement guide](#) for the official procedure, including steps to accommodate the microphone.

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TOOLS:

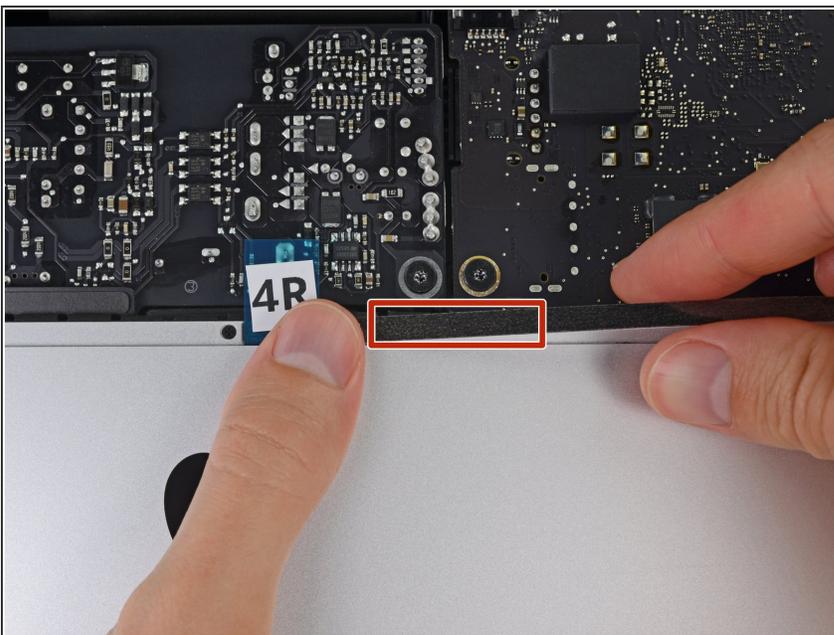
- [Tweezers](#) (1)
 - [Spudger](#) (1)
 - [Utility Scissors](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Muffled Microphone



- ❗ The frame of this iMac model is identical to its 2012-2015 predecessors, except that the microphone is behind the bottom-right edge of the display.
- ❗ In this new position, the "4R" strip completely covers the microphone and the holes in front of it, deadening any sound picked up.

Step 2



- Use scissors to cut off the part of the adhesive strip that will cover the microphone.
- Continue with adhesive installation and reassembly [as instructed](#).

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