

Sony Vaio PCG-F420 Keyboard Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

If your keys appear to be broken, replacing the keyboard may be necessary.

To make sure the problem is with the keyboard, follow the troubleshooting guide.

When buying a new keyboard make sure it is compatible with PCG-F420.

CAUTION: Static electricity in your body can ruin your computer. Use an anti-static wristband.

Before you begin the repair, turn off your laptop and unplug the charger.

TOOLS:

Phillips #00 Screwdriver (1) Tweezers (1) Anti-Static Wrist Strap (1)

Step 1 — Battery



- The battery is located on the left side of the laptop, as shown by the red circle.
- Make sure the laptop is disconnected and turned completely off.



- (i) Remove the battery by following these steps.
- Pull the plastic cover down (indicated by the arrow on the cover) and then swing it upwards to reveal the battery compartment.
- The battery can now be removed by pulling it.

Step 3 — Keyboard



 Use your Philips #00 screwdriver to unscrew the small screw counterclockwise.
This screw is for the audio/visual jacks on the left side of the laptop.



- Unlock the cover between the keyboard and screen.
- Gently slide it to the right and lift it up.
- Exercise caution to avoid excessive force, as wires are connected.
- i Be mindful not to pull the keyboard too forcefully as it remains connected to wires, which we will address in the next step.

Step 5



- Lift up the cover and lean it against the display so it is out of the way for the rest of the process.
- Remove the small screw above the F6 key on the keyboard.
 Place screw in container to ensure it wont be lost.



 Find the green ribbon as indicated in the picture by the red circle. This is what connects the keyboard to the motherboard.

Step 7



- Carefully unplug the ribbon cable using a pair of <u>tweezers</u>.
- Lift up the white bar near the connection to the motherboard, and lightly lift the ribbon to release it from the motherboard.



- Now, pull on the ribbon cable, and it will detach from the motherboard.
- ② Your keyboard is now safely detached, allowing for necessary repairs or replacements.

Step 9



 Your keyboard is now safety detached. Necessary repairs or replacements can be made from here.

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