

Microsoft Band Screen Frame Replacement

This guide will demonstrate the safest way to remove the black frame around the screen.

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INTRODUCTION

The frame is attached to the body of the Band with adhesive on the back side. This guide uses an iFixit iOpener to soften this adhesive so the frame can be removed.

Warning: The following guide is likely to ruin the water resistance of the device.

TOOLS:

- iOpener (1)
- Spudger (1)

Step 1 — Screen Frame



- To avoid burning your hands, make sure to hold only the thin edges of the iOpener.
- Heat the iOpener. Instructions on how to do this can be found here: <u>iOpener Instructions</u>
- Firmly press the frame of the band against the iOpener, and hold it in place for about 90 seconds.
- (i) When using the iOpener, make sure to wrap it partially around the sides.

Step 2



- Using a spudger, lightly press upwards against one corner of the frame, then the other along the corner of the short edge.
- Alternating between the same two corners, continue pressing until there's about a 1-2 mm gap between that end of the frame and the body.

Step 3



- Do not pull the frame away too quickly. The screen may be stuck to the frame, and pulling on it could cause damage. If the screen is still attached, lightly push on the screen with a finger and it should pop out.
- Insert the spudger into the gap under the frame, and lightly slide it about 3/4 of the way down one of the long edges, then repeat with the other.
- If the frame doesn't simply pop off, try sliding the spudger the rest of the way down the long edges, and lightly lift the frame with your fingers.
- When re-assembling, make sure the frame's microphone hole is on the same side as the sensor board underneath.

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