

# How to Fix a Broken XLR Microphone Cable

This guide will help users easily repair broken XLR microphone cables.

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

The soldered connections in the average XLR cable can break under heavy use. Use this guide to disassemble an XLR connector and resolder the broken connection.



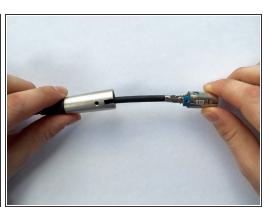
# **TOOLS:**

- Soldering Iron (1)
- Screwdriver (1)
- Flush Wire Cutters (1)

#### Step 1 — How to Fix a Broken XLR Microphone Cable







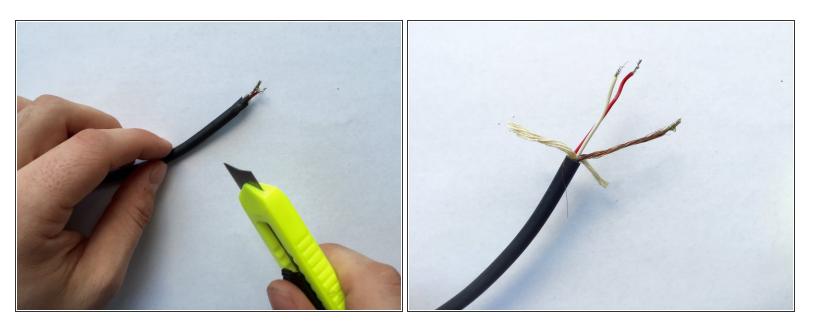
- This guide will utilize a soldering iron. Please use a heat-resistant surface and proceed with caution.
- Place the end of the XLR Cable on a clean, uncluttered surface.
- Using a small screwdriver, unscrew the single screw near the top of the cable.
- Gently pull apart the exterior metal from the internal mechanism.

#### Step 2



 Assess which connections have fallen loose. In this instance, the white cable is disconnected.

## Step 3

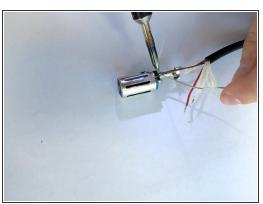


- Assess whether or not there's enough exposed wire to reconnect loose cables. In this instance, the
  exposed cables are too short to effectively reconnect.
- If the exposed wires are too short, use wire strippers or a razor to cut back the insulation.
- Separate the wires.

#### Step 4

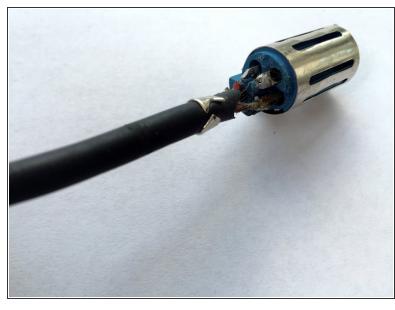






- ↑ Soldering irons are extremely hot. Proceed with extreme caution.
- Solder each of the loose wires to the coinciding metal prong.
- For more information on effectively soldering wire, please visit iFixit's Soldering Guide.
- (i) If necessary, use a thin wire to further manipulate the connection.

### Step 5





- When the soldering is complete, reconnect the metal exterior to the head of the cable.
- Using a small screwdriver, reattach the single screw.

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