

Soundfreaq Sound Kick Teardown

This guide will instruct users how to tear down their Sound Kick bluetooth speaker.

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INTRODUCTION

After an unfortunate drop down a few stairs, my beloved Sound Kick ceased to function properly. In the absence of a proper teardown guide anywhere on the Internet, I went in blind and came out victorious.

Disclaimer: I am not a professional photographer nor do I intend to masquerade as one. All pictures were taken as I worked with minimal staging; I have neither the equipment, time, expertise, nor desire to take outstanding photographs, but regarding what I *do* have, in the words of the immortal Arthur Hoggett, "That'll do, pig. That'll do."



TOOLS:

- Metal Spudger Set (1)
- Phillips #1 Screwdriver (1)

Step 1 — Remove Battery







- You're going to want to remove the battery first to minimize the risk of frying anything. Unless you
 actually want to fry something, in which case I would recommend this guide.
- Locate the battery compartment on the bottom section of the "extension chamber."
- Remove the four screws and pull out the battery. Now disconnect it!

Step 2 — Remove Bottom Screw Cover and Bottom Frame Screws







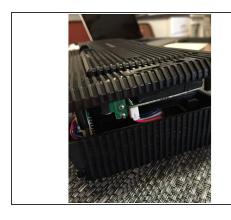
- There's a long thin piece of plastic that covers the bottom 5 screws that hold the Sound Kick frame together. Two clips on the ends and adhesive all the way across keep this piece secure. Just Pry it off!
- When it's off, the bottom frame screws will be exposed. Grab your trusty Phillips and get to work removing the five screws.

Step 3 — Remove Speaker Mesh and Top Frame Screws



- Warning: more prying ahead.
 Choose a corner of the mesh and start prying it off. The mesh is "captured" by little pinch points all along the face of the speaker and there are dots of light adhesive for further security. Just go little by little and it will pop off fine.
- I don't have a picture of the top frame screws, but it's pretty selfexplanatory. There are four screws along the top of the frame that were previously hidden beneath the speaker mesh. Remove them.

Step 4 — Pull It Apart







 Now you can carefully pull the back frame of the speaker away from the main body. Don't fully separate them before taking care of the electrical connectors on the left, right, and top sides of the speaker. After they're all disconnected, fully separate the back plate from the frame.

Step 5





- You can now pull off the extension chamber (or, more technically, the rear slidey-outey thingy). If you own a Sound Kick, you know exactly what I'm talking about. If you don't own a Sound Kick, why are you reading this guide?! Make sure to disconnect the electrical connector on the back side of the chamber before fully removing it.
 - Note: for reassembly, notice the geared mechanism that keeps the left and right side sliding at the same rate. Make sure to engage each side on the same tooth to maintain an even slide.
- This is as far as I can take you! Notice the missing magnet on the backside of the left (channel) speaker. It had popped off while tumbling down the stairs. A little CA and it's good as new!
- Reassemble in reverse order.