



Dell Latitude X300 Palm Rest/Track Pad Replacement

How to replace a Dell Latitude X300 palm rest and track pad.

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INTRODUCTION

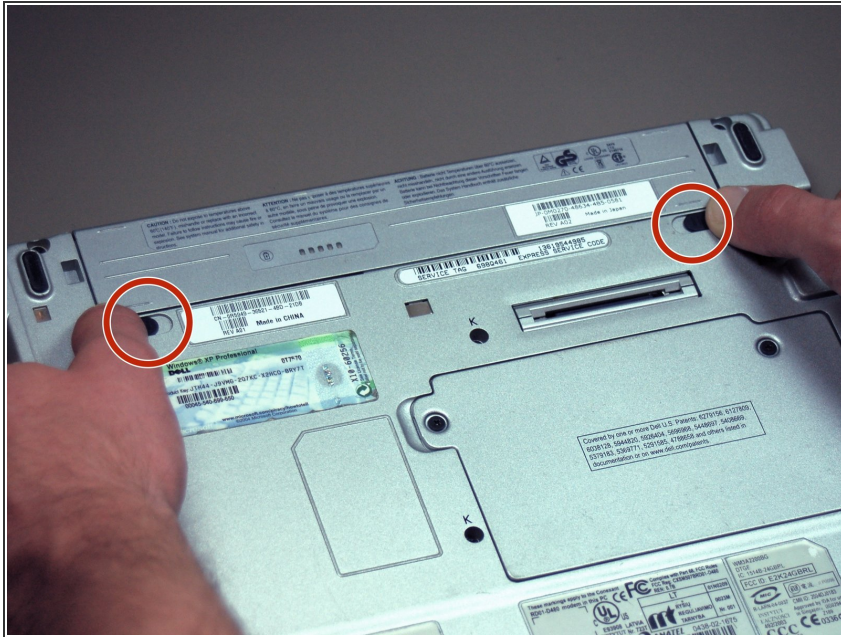
This guide is for the removal and installation of new track pad and palm rest of the Dell Latitude X300



TOOLS:

- [Phillips #00 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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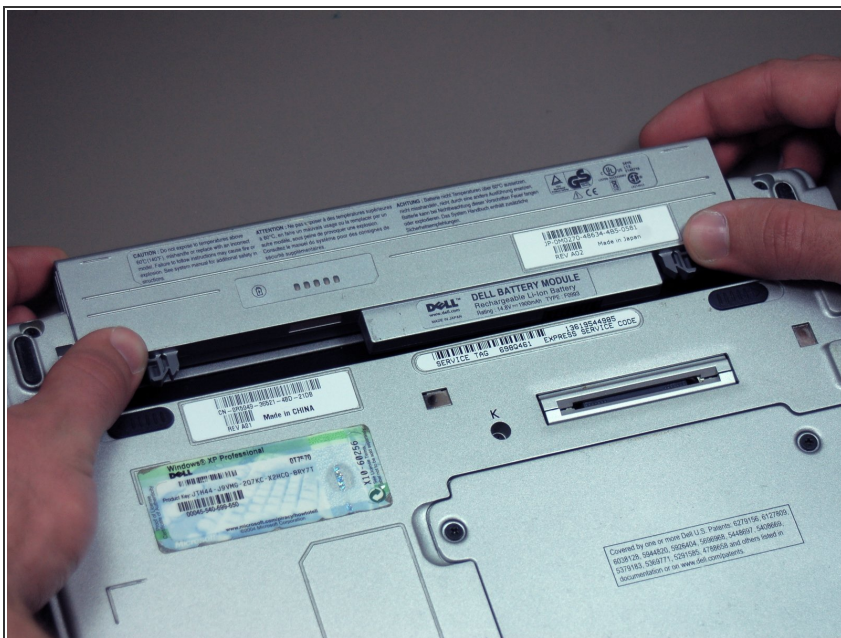
Step 1 — Battery



⚠ Before removing the battery from the laptop, make sure the power is off.

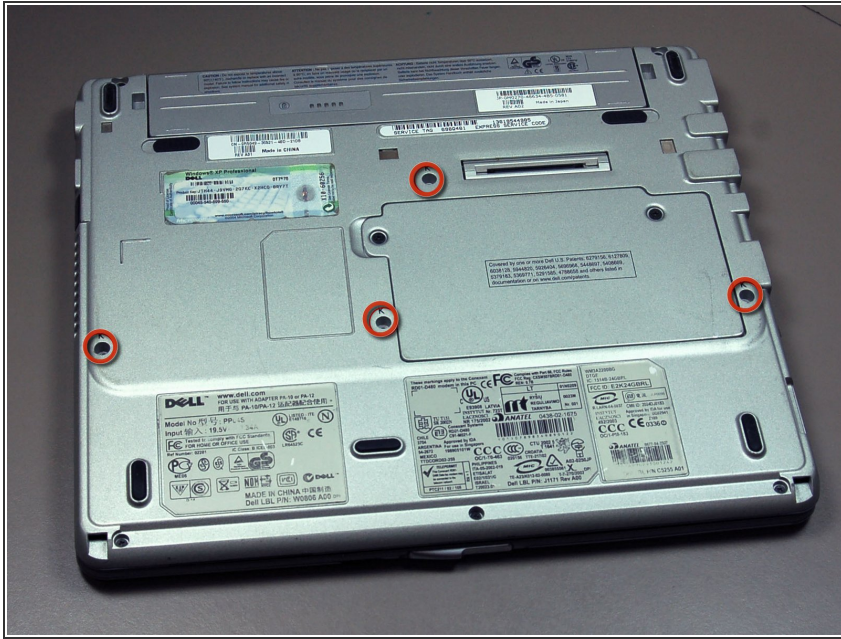
- Push both battery locking clips outward at the same time.

Step 2



- Slide the battery out of the laptop.

Step 3 — Keyboard



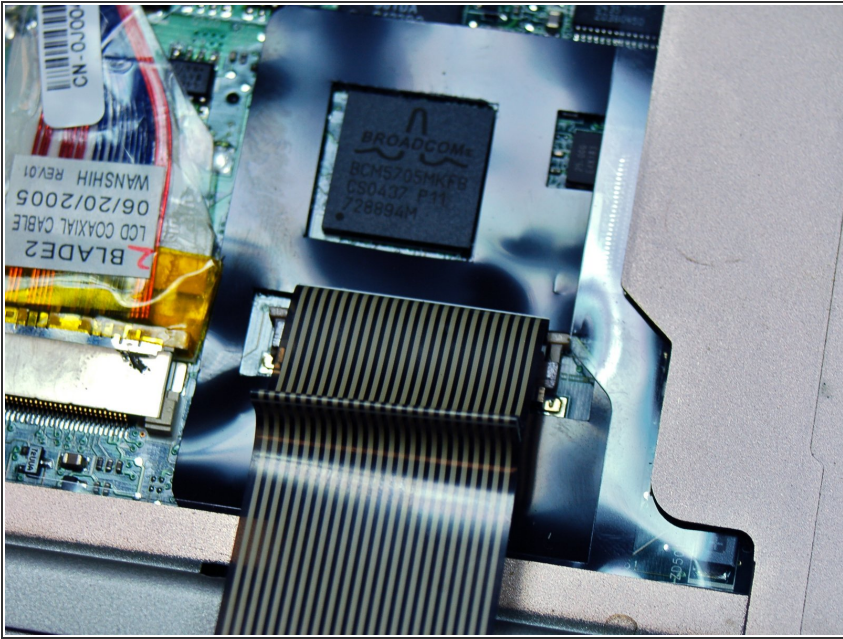
- Remove the four 4 mm Phillips #0 screws from the bottom of the laptop.

Step 4



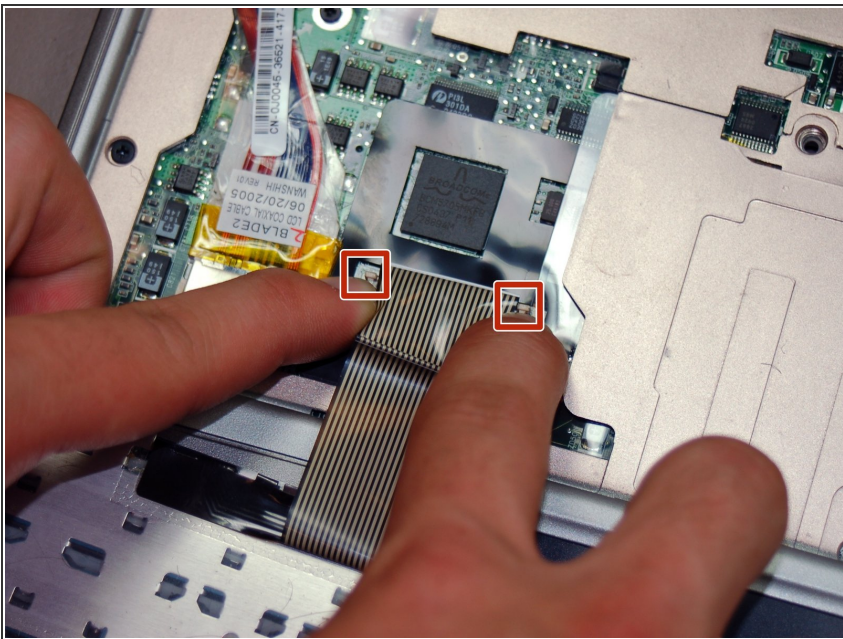
- Carefully turn the laptop over and open the screen all the way.
- Locate the slot to remove the keyboard in the lower left hand corner.
- Using a spudger as a lever, insert it into the slot and gently pry up.

Step 5



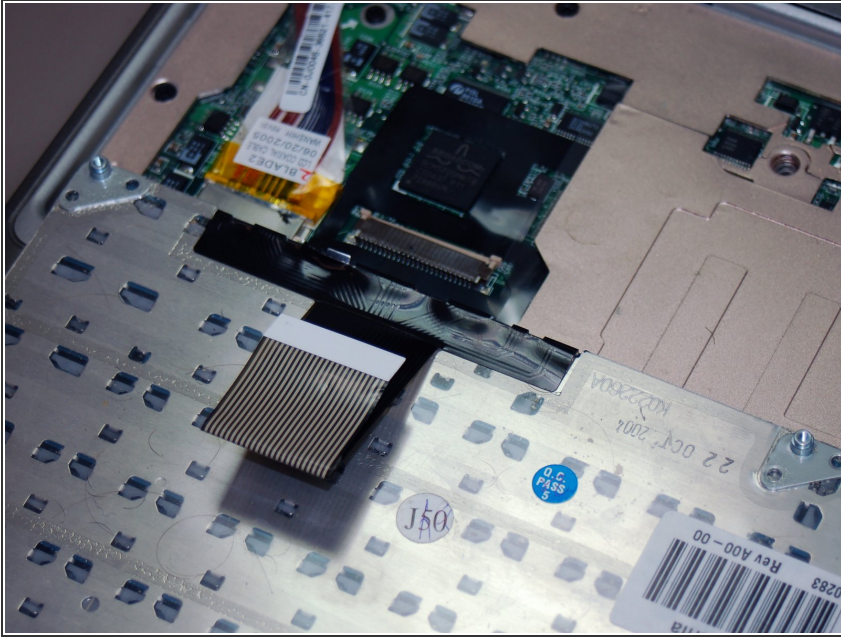
- After the keyboard pops up, pull it away from the screen just enough to release the tabs.
- ⚠ Don't pull the keyboard out forcefully as there is still a ribbon attached to the laptop.

Step 6



- Unlock the ZIF connector on the computer by pushing the two outside tabs toward the screen.

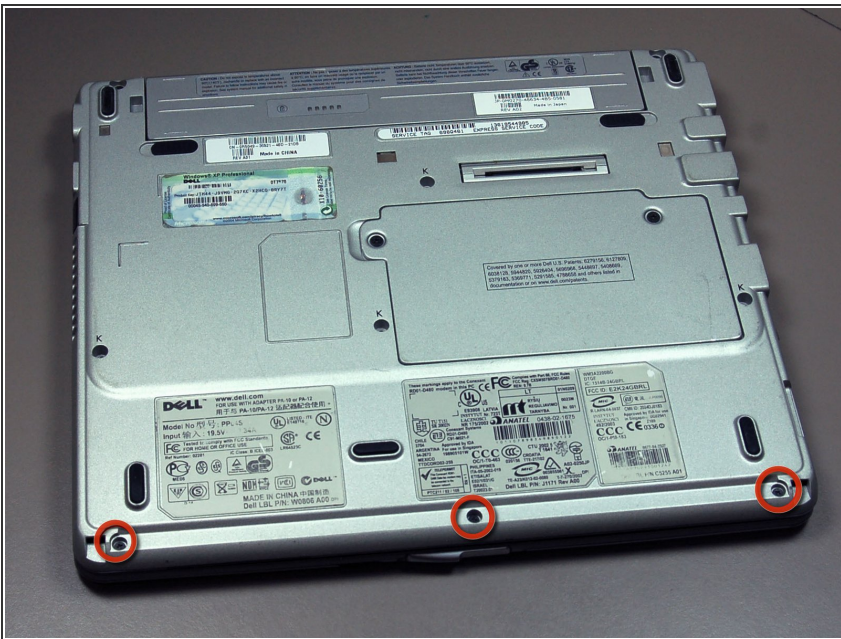
Step 7



- Remove the flexible ribbon from the ZIF connector.

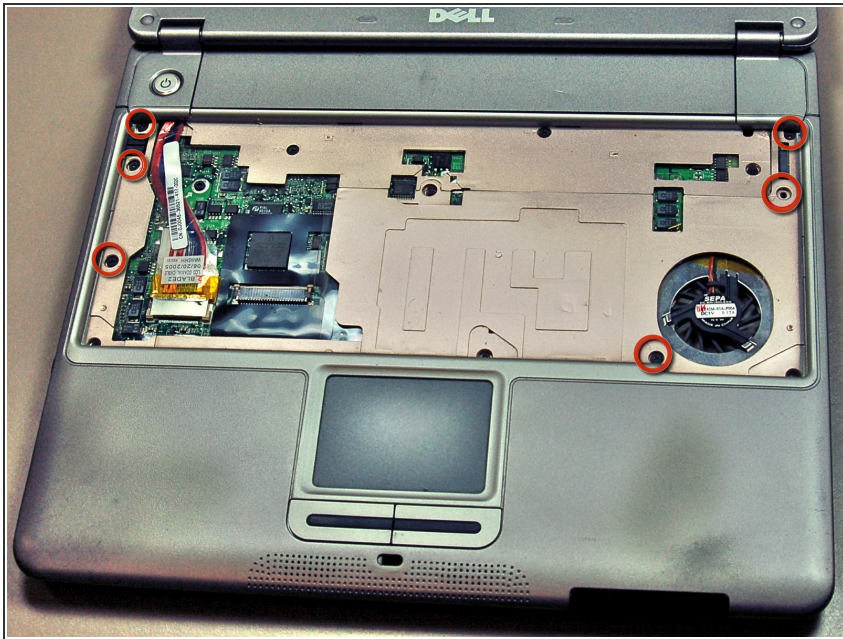
⚠ Do not pull on the ribbon to remove it from the ZIF connector.

Step 8 — Palm Rest/Track Pad



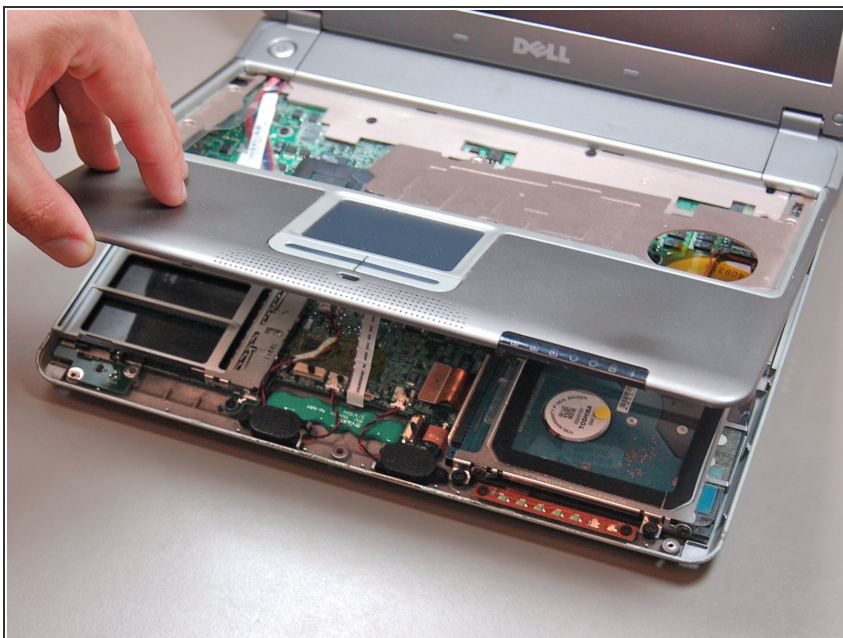
- Position the laptop so that the bottom is facing upward.
- Remove the three 4 mm Phillips #0 screws holding the bottom of the palm rest.

Step 9



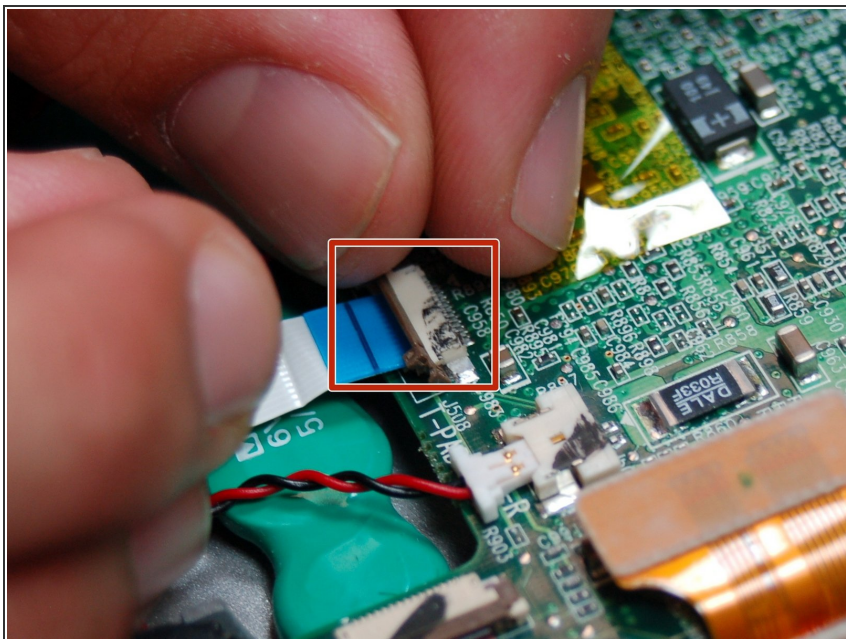
- Return the laptop to proper position and open the screen.
- Remove the six 4 mm Phillips #0 screws holding in the palm rest.

Step 10



- Gently lift the palm rest and rotate it outward so that the bottom is now facing up.
- ⚠ The ribbon attached to the track is short and extremely delicate. Use care when moving the palm rest.

Step 11



- Lift up on the small ZIF connector and remove the ribbon.
- ⚠ If the ribbon seems stuck, gently wiggle it to remove. Do not pull the ribbon with great force.

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