

# **IBM ThinkPad T41 Keyboard Replacement**

This is a step by step guide for replacing/repairing the keyboard of an IBM ThinkPad T41 laptop. It will aid you in taking apart your laptop to reach the keyboard.

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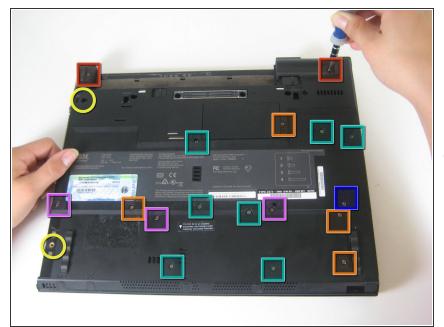
# INTRODUCTION

This simple repair guide will aid you in taking apart your IBM ThinkPad T41 laptop to reach and replace its keyboard.

# **TOOLS:**

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

#### Step 1 — Keyboard



- Close the screen and turn the closed laptop over.
- Remove all 17 screws on the bottom of the computer.
- (i) The multiple colors (turquoise, red, blue, orange, yellow, and purple) are for organizational purposes, indicating different screws.
- The yellow marker at the rear denotes the UltraBay device retaining screw. This screw is optional as the UltraBay mechanism will hold the drive or battery in place anyway. The yellow marker at the front denotes the hard disk caddy retaining screw.

## Step 2



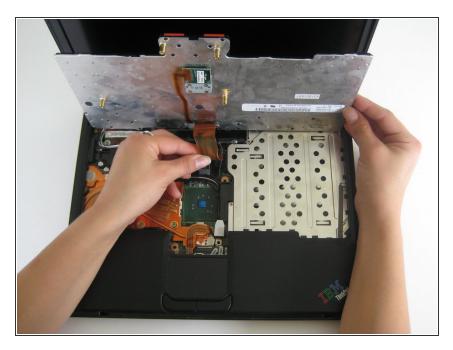
 Remove the extra RAM cover, by lifting where the screw was and pulling out.

### Step 3



- Turn the laptop right side up and open the screen.
- Lift the keyboard, using a spudger at the seam between the keyboard and trackpad.
- Careful of the ribbon cable underneath, which may tear if the keyboard is lifted too vigorously.

## Step 4



- Unplug the keyboard's ribbon cable, by lifting up the edges of the plug.
- Remove the keyboard.

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