



HP 17-x173dx RAM Replacement

How to replace or add RAM to your HP 17-x173dx.

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INTRODUCTION

If your laptop slows down when using certain applications, you may need to replace or add RAM in an HP 17-x173dx. This guide will show you how to replace RAM in your laptop in easy-to-follow steps.

TOOLS:

- [Metal Spudger](#) (1)
 - [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Battery



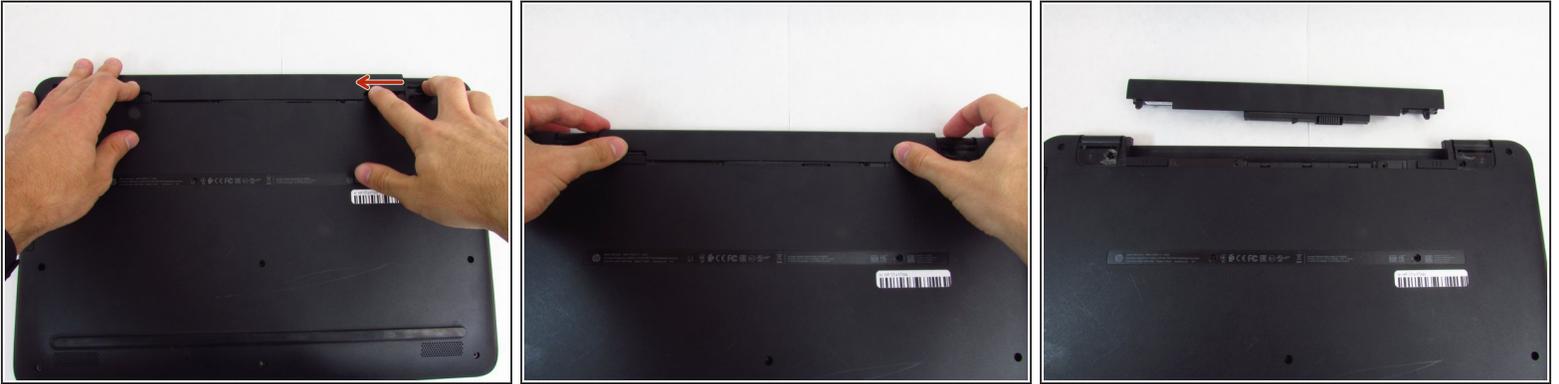
- Begin by sliding the left tab to the unlock position

Step 2



- Push each of the two tabs in the direction specified by the picture.

Step 3



- Slide and hold the right tab to the left, while gently pushing out the battery with your thumbs

Step 4 — RAM



- Using the Phillips #0 screwdriver, remove fourteen 7 mm screws on the back of the device (two will be underneath where the battery was).

Step 5



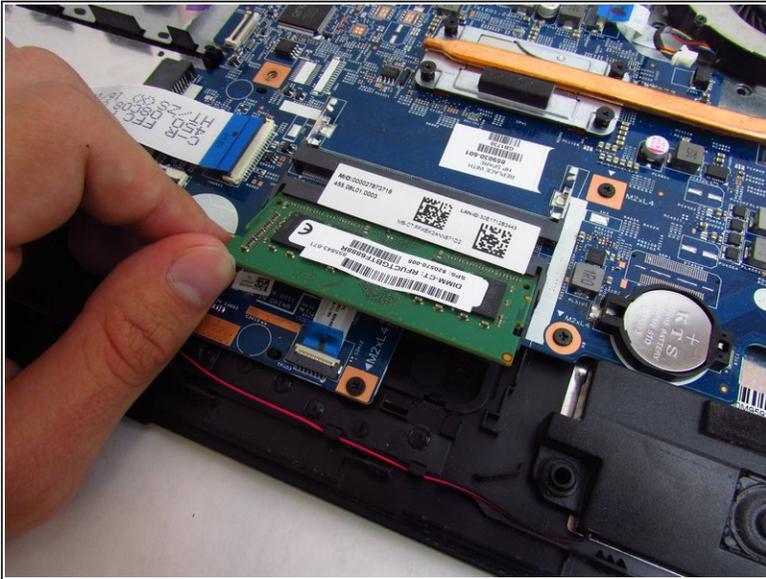
- Remove the Optical Disk Drive.
- Use the spudger to lift the plastic backing, starting from the back right side, near the vent.
- Remove the back of the device by continuing to lift the plastic around the entire perimeter of the device.

Step 6



- Use a pair of tweezers or your fingernails to carefully pry the two metal retention clips out and away from the ram casing.
- Then gently bend the plastic retainers away to free the ram stick.

Step 7



- Lift the RAM stick away from the motherboard and remove it from the device.
- ⓘ Repeat this step for any extra sticks of RAM.

Install your replacement RAM and reassemble your device by following these instructions in reverse order.