

Chromebook 3120

Owner's Manual

Notes, cautions, and warnings

 **NOTE:** A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your product.

 **CAUTION:** A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.

 **WARNING:** A WARNING indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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Views of Chromebook 3120

Right



Figure 1. Right view

1. **USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) Type-C with DisplayPort Alt Mode port (optional)**

Connect devices such as external storage devices, printers, and external displays. Provides data transfer speeds up to 5 Gbps.

NOTE: A USB Type-C to DisplayPort adapter (sold separately) is required to connect a DisplayPort device.

NOTE: This port is optional and is available for upsell computers.

2. **Wedge-shaped lock slot**

Connect a security cable to prevent unauthorized movement of your computer.

Left



Figure 2. Left view

1. **Power and battery-status light**

Indicates the power state and battery state of the computer.

Solid white—Power adapter is connected and the battery is charging.

Solid amber—Battery charge is low or critical.

Off—Battery is fully charged.

2. **USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) Type-C with DisplayPort Alt Mode port**

Connect the power adapter from external power source to charge your laptop.

Connect devices such as external storage devices, printers, and external displays. Provides data transfer speeds up to 5 Gbps.

NOTE: A USB Type-C to DisplayPort adapter (sold separately) is required to connect a DisplayPort device.

3. **USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) port**

Connect devices such as external storage devices, printers, and external displays. Provides data transfer speeds up to 5 Gbps.

4. **Headset (headphone and microphone combo) port**

Connect headphones or a headset (headphone and microphone combo).

Top



Figure 3. Top view

1. **Power button**

Press to turn on the computer if it is turned off.

2. Keyboard

An input device used to enter characters and functions into the computer system.

3. Touchpad

Move your finger on the touchpad to move the mouse pointer. Tap to left-click and two fingers tap to right-click.

Front

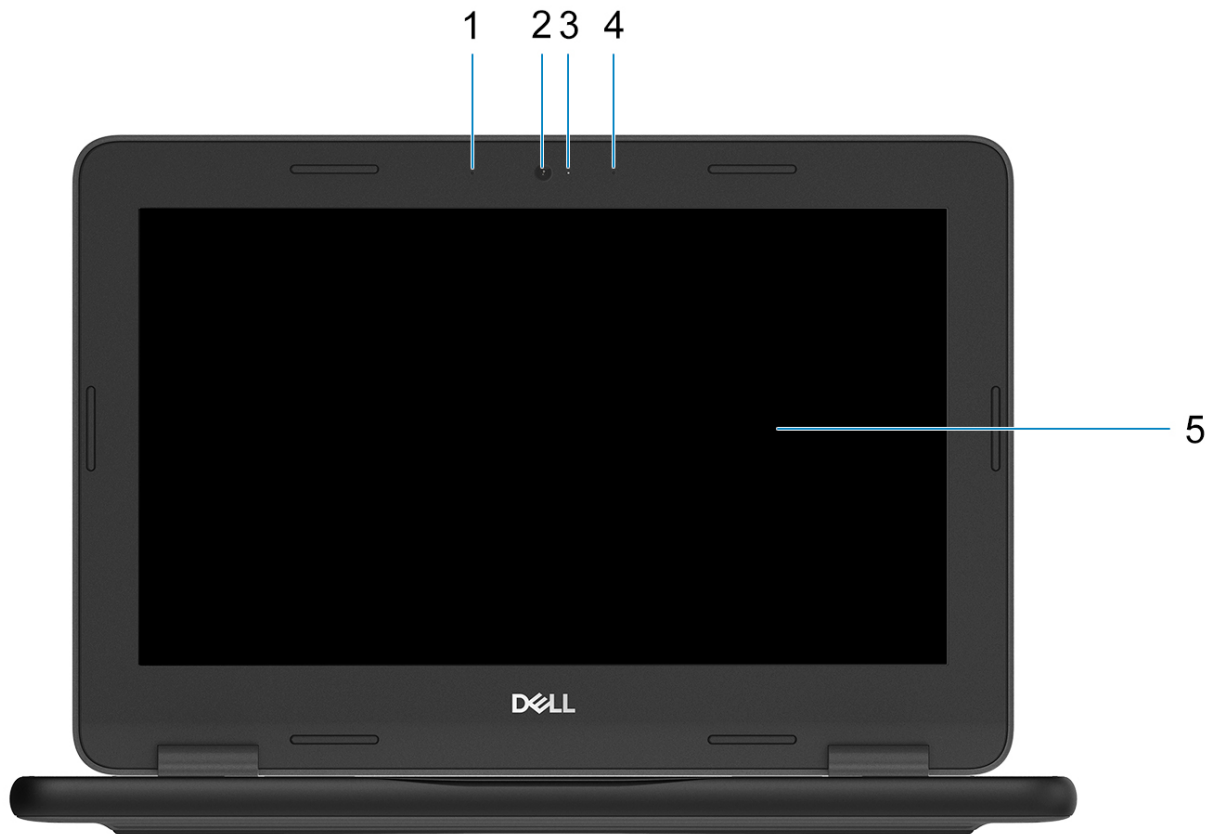


Figure 4. Front view

1. Left microphone

Provides digital sound input for audio recording and voice calls.

2. Camera

Enables you to video chat, capture photos, and record videos.

3. Camera-status light

Turns on when the camera is in use.

4. Right microphone

Provides digital sound input for audio recording and voice calls.

5. Display

Provides visual output.

Bottom

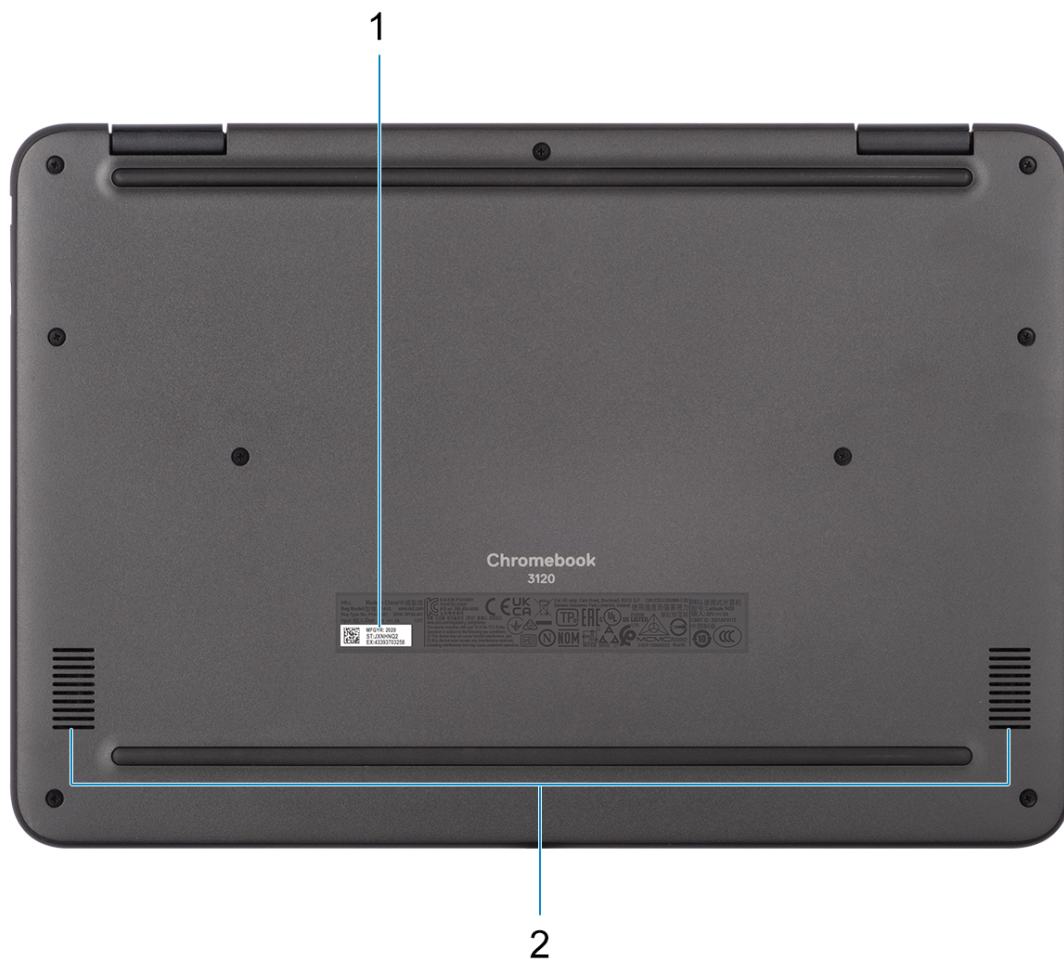


Figure 5. Bottom view

1. Service Tag label

The Service Tag is a unique alphanumeric identifier that enables Dell service technicians to identify the hardware components in your computer and access warranty information.

2. Speakers

Provide audio output.

Service Tag

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Figure 6. Service Tag location

Battery charge and status light

The following table lists the battery charge and status light behavior of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 1. Battery charge and status light behavior

Power Source	LED Behavior	System Power State	Battery Charge Level
AC Adapter	Off	S0 - S5	Fully Charged
AC Adapter	Solid White	S0 - S5	< Fully Charged
Battery	Off	S4 - S5	11-100%
Battery	Solid Amber (590+/-3 nm)	S0 - S3	< 10%

- S0 (ON) - System is turned on.
- S4 (Hibernate) - The system consumes the least power compared to all other sleep states. The system is almost at an OFF state, except for a trickle power. The context data is written to a hard drive.
- S5 (OFF) - The system is in a shutdown state.

Set up your Chromebook 3120

About this task

NOTE: The images in this document may differ from your computer depending on the configuration you ordered.

Steps

1. Connect the power adapter and press the power button.

CAUTION: Connect the power cable to a power distribution Unit (PDU) 16 A and then connect the PDU to the wall outlet.



Figure 7. Connect the power adapter and press the power button

NOTE: To conserve battery power, the battery might enter power saving mode. Connect the power adapter and press the power button to turn on the computer.

2. Finish Chromebook operating system setup.
Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the setup. For more information about installing and configuring Chromebook, go to [Chrome OS Support](#).
3. Locate and install the required apps from the Google Chrome Web Store. For more information about downloading and installing apps on your Chromebook, search the Knowledge Base Resource at [Dell Support Site](#).

Specifications of Chromebook 3120

Dimensions and weight

The following table lists the height, width, depth, and weight of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 2. Dimensions and weight

Description	Values
Height:	
Front height	20.75 mm (0.81 in.)
Rear height	20.75 mm (0.81 in.)
Width	303.90 mm (11.96 in.)
Depth	207.90 mm (8.19 in.)
Weight  NOTE: The weight of your computer depends on the configuration that you ordered.	1.38 kg (3.04 lb)

Processor

The following table lists the details of the processors that are supported on your Chromebook 3120.

Table 3. Processor

Description	Values
Type	Intel Processor N100
Wattage	4.80 W
Core count	4
Thread count	4
Speed	0.80 GHz to 3.40 GHz Turbo
Cache	6 MB
Integrated graphics	Intel UHD Graphics

Chipset

The following table lists the details of the chipset that is supported by your Chromebook 3120.

Table 4. Chipset

Description	Values
Chipset	BGA 1264
Processor	Intel Processor N100
DRAM bus width	64-bit
Flash EPROM	16 MB
PCIe bus	Up to Gen3

Operating system

Your Chromebook 3120 supports the following operating system:

ChromeOS

Memory

The following table lists the memory specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 5. Memory specifications

Description	Values
Memory slots	Onboard  NOTE: Memory is onboard and cannot be upgraded.
Memory type	LPDDR5/LPDDR5x
Memory speed	4800 MT/s
Maximum memory configuration	8 GB
Minimum memory configuration	4 GB
Memory configurations supported	4 GB: 2 x 2 GB, LPDDR5/LPDDR5x, 4800 MT/s, single-channel, onboard 8 GB: 4 x 2 GB, LPDDR5/LPDDR5x, 4800 MT/s, single-channel, onboard

Internal slots

The following table lists the internal slots of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 6. Internal slots

Description	Values
M.2	One M.2 3042 slot for WWAN module (optional)

Table 6. Internal slots

Description	Values
	 NOTE: To learn more about the features of different types of M.2 cards, search Dell Support Site .

External ports and slots

The following table lists the external ports and slots on your Chromebook 3120.

Table 7. External ports and slots

Description	Values
USB ports	- One USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) Type-C with DisplayPort Alt Mode port—left side - One USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) Type-C with DisplayPort Alt Mode port (optional)—right side  NOTE: This port is optional and is available for upsell computers. - One USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) with PowerShare port
Audio port	One headset (headphone and microphone combo) port
Video port(s)	Via - One USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) Type-C with DisplayPort Alt Mode port—left side - One USB 3.2 Gen 1 (5 Gbps) Type-C with DisplayPort Alt Mode port (optional)—right side  NOTE: This port is optional and is available for upsell computers.
Media-card reader	Not supported
Power-adaptor port	One 65 W AC adapter, USB Type-C
Security-cable slot	One Wedge-shaped security slot

Wireless module

The following table lists the Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN) module that is supported on your Chromebook 3120.

Table 8. Wireless module specifications

Description	Values
Model number	Intel Wi-Fi 6 AX203  NOTE: Intel Wi-Fi 6 AX203 is integrated and not replaceable.
Transfer rate	1.20 Gbps
Frequency bands supported	2.40 GHz/5 GHz
Wireless standards	Wi-Fi 802.11a/b/g

Table 8. Wireless module specifications (continued)

Description	Values
	• Wi-Fi 4 (Wi-Fi 802.11n) • Wi-Fi 5 (Wi-Fi 802.11ac) • Wi-Fi 6 (Wi-Fi 802.11ax)
Encryption	• 64-bit/128-bit WEP • AES-CCMP • TKIP
Bluetooth wireless card	Bluetooth 5.2 wireless card (Chrome)

WWAN module

The following table lists the Wireless Wide Area Network (WWAN) module supported on your Chromebook 3120.

Table 9. WWAN module specifications

Description	Values
Model number	Qualcomm Snapdragon SDX12 Global LTE-Advanced (DW5824e)
Transfer rate	• Up to 300 Mbps DL (CAT6) • Up to 50 Mbps UL
Frequency bands supported	• LTE (B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B7, B8, B12, B13, B14, B17, B18, B19, B20, B25, B26, B28, B29, B30, B38, B39, B40, B41, B41 HPUE, B42, B43, B48, B66, B71) • HSPA+ (1,2,4,5,6,8,19)
Wireless standards	• LTE FDD/TDD • WCDMA/HSPA+ • GPS/GLONASS/Beidou/Galileo
Encryption	3GPP security support
Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS)	Single band support L1
 NOTE: For instructions on how to find your computer's IMEI (International Mobile Station Equipment Identity) number, search in the Knowledge Base Resource at Dell Support Site.  NOTE: For information on SIM/eSIM setup, see the SIM/eSIM Setup Guide for Chromebook on your computer's product support page at Dell Support Site.	

Audio

The following table lists the audio specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 10. Audio specifications

Description	Values
Audio controller	Cirrus CS42L42

Table 10. Audio specifications (continued)

Description		Values
Stereo conversion		Supported
Internal audio interface		I2S
External audio interface		One headset (headphone and microphone combo) port
Number of speakers		Two
Internal-speaker amplifier		Maxim MAX98360
External volume controls		Keyboard shortcut controls
Speaker output:		
	Average	2 W
	Peak	2.5 W
Microphone		Single-array microphone or Dual-array microphones

Storage

This section lists the storage options on your Chromebook 3120.

Your Chromebook 3120 system supports one 64 GB eMMC onboard storage.

 **NOTE:** Storage is onboard and cannot be upgraded.

Table 11. Storage specifications

Storage type	Interface type	Capacity
eMMC	Onboard	64 GB

Keyboard

The following table lists the keyboard specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 12. Keyboard specifications

Description		Values
Keyboard lighting technology		Non-backlit keyboard
Keyboard layout		QWERTY
Number of keys		Non-backlit keyboard without numpad: - English International, English US: 74 keys - English UK, Canada Bilingual MUI, Nordic MUI, Spanish Latin America: 75 keys - Belgium, France - AZERTY: 75 keys
Key pitch		X = 19.05 mm key pitch Y = 18.05 mm key pitch

Table 12. Keyboard specifications (continued)

Description	Values
Keyboard shortcuts	Some keys on your keyboard have two symbols on them. These keys can be used to type alternate characters or to perform secondary functions. To type the alternate character, press Shift and the desired key. To perform secondary functions, press Fn and the desired key. NOTE: You can define the primary behavior of the function keys (F1–F12) changing Function Key Behavior in BIOS setup program.

Camera

The following table lists the camera specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 13. Camera specifications

Description	Values
Number of cameras	One
Camera type	HD RGB camera NOTE: - Single microphone is available in minimal configuration. - Dual-array microphones is available in upsell configuration.
Camera location	Front camera
Camera sensor type	CMOS sensor technology
Camera resolution:	
Still image	0.92 megapixel
Video	1280 x 720 (HD) at 30 fps
Diagonal viewing angle	78.60 degrees

Touchpad

The following table lists the touchpad specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 14. Touchpad specifications

Description	Values
Touchpad resolution:	>300 dpi
Touchpad dimensions:	
Horizontal	99.40 mm (3.91 in.)
Vertical	54.40 mm (2.14 in.)
Touchpad gestures	For more information about touchpad gestures available on Chromebook, see support.google.com/chromebook .

Power adapter

The following table lists the power adapter specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 15. Power-adapter specifications

Description		Values
Type		65 W AC adapter, USB Type-C
Power-adapter dimensions:		
	Height	28 mm (1.10 in.)
	Width	51 mm (2.01 in.)
	Depth	112 mm (4.41 in.)
Input voltage		100 VAC x 240 VAC
Input frequency		50 Hz x 60 Hz
Input current (maximum)		1.70 A
Output current (continuous)		• 20 V/3.25 A (continuous) • 15 V/3 A (continuous) • 9 V/3 A (continuous) • 5 V/3 A (continuous)
Rated output voltage		20 VDC/15 VDC/9 VDC/5 VDC
Temperature range:		
	Operating	0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)
	Storage	-40°C to 70°C (-40°F to 158°F)
 CAUTION: Operating and storage temperature ranges may differ among components, so operating or storing the device outside these ranges may impact the performance of specific components.		

Power adapter requirements

This section contains the power adapter requirements for Chromebook 3120.

 **NOTE:** If you did not purchase the Dell-branded power adapter that is recommended for your computer, ensure that the power adapter you use meets the following requirements:

Table 16. Power adapter requirements for Chromebook 3120

Description	Value
Power that is required from a power adapter to achieve optimal performance.	65 W
Power that is required to charge the computer at a slower speed.  NOTE: A warning message may appear informing you about the use of a lower-powered adapter and slower charging speed.	Less than 20 W
Minimum power that is required from a power adapter to operate the computer and charge the battery.	1. AC adapter rate is greater than 15 W.

Table 16. Power adapter requirements for Chromebook 3120 (continued)

Description	Value
 NOTE: A warning message appears informing you about the use of a lower-powered adapter and slower charging speed.	2. AC adapter rate is equal to 15 W, and battery RSOC is equal to or greater than 1%.
USB Power Delivery (PD) fast charging	N/A
ExpressCharge mode	N/A

Battery

The following table lists the battery specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 17. Battery specifications

Description	Option one	Option two
Battery type	3-cell, 42 Wh, smart Lithium Ion	3-cell, 42 Wh, smart Lithium Ion, Long Life Cycle
Battery voltage	11.40 VDC	11.40 VDC
Battery weight (maximum)	0.20 kg (0.44 lb)	0.20 kg (0.44 lb)
Battery dimensions:		
	Height	5.90 mm (0.23 in.)
	Width	191.85 mm (7.55 in.)
	Depth	103.25 mm (4.06 in.)
Temperature range:		
	Operating	0°C to 35°C (32°F to 95°F) - Charge: 0°C to 50°C (32°F to 122°F) - Discharge: 0°C to 70°C (32°F to 158°F)
	Storage	-20°C to 60°C (-4°F to 140°F) - Charge: 0°C to 50°C (32°F to 122°F) - Discharge: 0°C to 70°C (32°F to 158°F)
Battery operating time	Varies depending on operating conditions and can significantly reduce under certain power-intensive conditions.	Varies depending on operating conditions and can significantly reduce under certain power-intensive conditions.
Battery charging time (approximate)	Standard mode: 0~15 degrees: 4 hours 16~60 degrees: 3 hours 46~50 degrees: 3 hours	Standard mode: 0~15 degrees: 4 hours 16~60 degrees: 3 hours 46~50 degrees: 3 hours
Coin-cell battery	Not supported	Not supported
 CAUTION: Operating and storage temperature ranges may differ among components, so operating or storing the device outside these ranges may impact the performance of specific components.		
 CAUTION: Dell Technologies recommends that you charge the battery regularly for optimal power consumption. If your battery charge is depleted, connect the power adapter, turn on your computer, and then restart your computer to reduce the power consumption.		

Power requirements (for computers shipped with 3-cell, 42 Wh battery)

NOTE: The information in this section is applicable to the European Union (EU) countries.

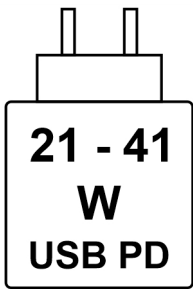


Figure 8. Pictogram for 42 Wh battery

The power that is delivered by the charger must be between a minimum of 21 Watts that is required by the radio equipment, and a maximum of 41 Watts in order to achieve the maximum charging speed.

This computer supports USB Power Delivery (PD) fast charging.

Display

The following table lists the display specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 18. Display specifications

Description		Option one	Option two
Display type		11.6" High Definition (HD)	11.6" High Definition (HD)
Touch options		No	Yes
Display-panel technology		Twisted Nematic (TN)	Twisted Nematic (TN)
Display-panel dimensions (active area):			
	Height	144 mm (5.67 in.)	144 mm (5.67 in.)
	Width	256.13 mm (10.08 in.)	256.13 mm (10.08 in.)
	Diagonal	294.64 mm (11.60 in.)	294.64 mm (11.60 in.)
Display-panel native resolution		1366 x 768	1366 x 768
Luminance (typical)		220 nit	220 nit
Megapixels		1.04	1.04
Color gamut		45% NTSC	45% NTSC
Pixels Per Inch (PPI)		135 ppi	135 ppi
Contrast ratio (minimum)		600:1 typical	500:1 typical
Response time (maximum)		20 ms	16 ms
Refresh rate		60 Hz	60 Hz

Table 18. Display specifications (continued)

Description	Option one	Option two
Horizontal view angle	+40/-40 degrees	+40/-40 degrees
Vertical view angle	+10/-30 degrees	+10/-30 degrees
Pixel pitch	0.1875 mm x 0.1875 mm	0.1875 mm x 0.1875 mm
Power consumption (maximum)	2.80 W	3 W
Anti-glare vs glossy finish	Anti-Glare	Glossy

Sensors

The following table lists the sensors of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 19. Sensor

Sensor support
N/A

GPU—Integrated

The following table lists the specifications of the integrated Graphics Processing Unit (GPU) supported by your Chromebook 3120.

Table 20. GPU—Integrated

Controller	Memory size	Processor
Intel UHD Graphics	Shared system memory	Intel Processor N100

External display support

The following table lists the external display support for your Chromebook 3120.

Table 21. External display support

Graphics card	Supported external displays with laptop display enabled	Supported external displays with laptop display disabled
Intel UHD Graphics	2	2

Hardware security

The following table lists the hardware security of your Chromebook 3120.

Table 22. Hardware security

Hardware security
H1 security chip
One Wedge-shaped lock slot

Operating and storage environment

This table lists the operating and storage specifications of your Chromebook 3120.

Airborne contaminant level: G1 as defined by ISA-S71.04-1985

Table 23. Computer environment

Description	Operating	Storage
Temperature range	0°C to 35°C (32°F to 95°F)	-40°C to 65°C (-40°F to 149°F)
Relative humidity (maximum)	10% to 90% (non-condensing)	0% to 95% (non-condensing)
Vibration (maximum)*	0.66 GRMS	N/A
Shock (maximum)	160 G†	N/A
Altitude range	-15.2 m to 3048 m (-49.87 ft to 10000 ft)	-15.2 m to 10668 m (-49.87 ft to 35000 ft)
 CAUTION: Operating and storage temperature ranges may differ among components, so operating or storing the device outside these ranges may impact the performance of specific components.		

* Measured using a random vibration spectrum that simulates the user environment.

† Measured using a 2 ms half-sine pulse.

Dell support policy

For information about Dell support policy, search [Dell Support Site](#).

Working inside your computer

Safety instructions

Use the following safety guidelines to protect your computer from potential damage and to ensure your personal safety. Unless otherwise noted, each procedure in this document assumes that you have read the safety information that shipped with your computer.

-  **WARNING:** Before working inside your computer, read the safety information that is shipped with your computer. For more safety best practices, see [Dell Regulatory Compliance Home Page](#).
-  **WARNING:** Disconnect your computer from all power sources before opening the computer cover or panels. After you finish working inside the computer, replace all covers, panels, and screws before connecting your computer to an electrical outlet.
-  **WARNING:** For laptops, discharge the battery completely before removing it. Disconnect the AC power adapter from the computer and operate the computer solely on battery power—the battery is fully discharged when the computer no longer turns on when the power button is pressed.
-  **CAUTION:** To avoid damaging the computer, ensure that the work surface is flat, dry, and clean.
-  **CAUTION:** You should only perform troubleshooting and repairs as authorized or directed by the Dell technical support team. Damage due to servicing that is not authorized by Dell is not covered by your warranty.
-  **CAUTION:** Before touching anything inside your computer, ground yourself by touching an unpainted metal surface, such as the metal at the back of the computer. While you work, periodically touch an unpainted metal surface to dissipate static electricity which could harm internal components.
-  **CAUTION:** To avoid damaging the components and cards, handle them by their edges, and avoid touching the pins and the contacts.
-  **CAUTION:** When you disconnect a cable, pull it by its connector or its pull tab, not the cable itself. Some cables have connectors with locking tabs or thumbscrews that you must disengage before disconnecting the cable. When disconnecting cables, keep them evenly aligned to avoid bending the connector pins. When connecting cables, ensure that the connector on the cable is correctly oriented and aligned with the port.
-  **CAUTION:** Press and eject any installed card from the media-card reader.

Before working inside your computer

About this task

 **NOTE:** The images in this document may differ from your computer depending on the configuration you ordered.

Steps

1. Save and close all open files and exit all open applications.
2. Shut down your computer. For Windows operating system, click **Start** >  **Power** > **Shut down**.
 **NOTE:** If you are using a different operating system, see the documentation of your operating system for shut-down instructions.
3. Turn off all the attached peripherals.
4. Disconnect your computer from the electrical outlet.

5. Disconnect all attached network devices and peripherals, such as keyboard, mouse, and monitor from your computer.

 **CAUTION:** To disconnect a network cable, unplug the cable from your computer.

6. Remove any media card and optical disc from your computer, if applicable.

Safety precautions

This section details the primary steps to be followed before disassembling any device or component.

Observe the following safety precautions before any installation or break-fix procedures involving disassembly or reassembly:

- Turn off the computer and all attached peripherals.
- Disconnect the computer from AC power.
- Disconnect all network cables and peripherals from the computer.
- Use an ESD field service kit when working inside your computer to avoid electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage.
- Place the removed component on an anti-static mat after removing it from the computer.
- Press and hold the power button for 15 seconds to discharge the residual power in the system board.

Bonding

Bonding is a method for connecting two or more grounding conductors to the same electrical potential. This is done by using a field service electrostatic discharge (ESD) kit. When connecting a bonding wire, ensure that it is connected to bare metal and never to a painted or nonmetal surface. Ensure that the wrist strap is secure and in full contact with your skin. Remove all jewelry, watches, bracelets, or rings before grounding yourself and the equipment.

Electrostatic discharge—ESD protection

ESD is a major concern when you handle electronic components, especially sensitive components such as expansion cards, processors, memory modules, and system boards. A slight charge can damage circuits in ways that may not be obvious, such as intermittent problems or a shortened product life span. As the industry pushes for lower power requirements and increased density, ESD protection is an increasing concern.

Two recognized types of ESD damage are catastrophic and intermittent failures.

- **Catastrophic** – Catastrophic failures represent approximately 20 percent of ESD-related failures. The damage causes an immediate and complete loss of device functionality. An example of catastrophic failure is a memory module that has received a static shock and immediately generates a "No POST/No Video" symptom with a beep code that is emitted for missing or nonfunctional memory.
- **Intermittent** – Intermittent failures represent approximately 80 percent of ESD-related failures. The high rate of intermittent failures means that most of the time when damage occurs, it is not immediately recognizable. The memory module receives a static shock, but the tracing is merely weakened and does not immediately produce outward symptoms that are related to the damage. The weakened trace may take weeks or months to melt, and in the meantime may cause degradation of memory integrity, intermittent memory errors, and so on.

Intermittent failures that are also called latent or "walking wounded" are difficult to detect and troubleshoot.

Perform the following steps to prevent ESD damage:

- Use a wired ESD wrist strap that is properly grounded. Wireless anti-static straps do not provide adequate protection. Touching the chassis before handling parts does not ensure adequate ESD protection on parts with increased sensitivity to ESD damage.
- Handle all static-sensitive components in a static-safe area. If possible, use anti-static floor pads and workbench pads.
- When unpacking a static-sensitive component from its shipping carton, do not remove the component from the anti-static packing material until you are ready to install the component. Before unwrapping the anti-static packaging, use the anti-static wrist strap to discharge the static electricity from your body.

 **NOTE:** You can protect against ESD and discharge static electricity from your body by touching a metal-grounded object before you interact with anything electronic, for example, an unpainted metal surface on your computer's I/O panel. When connecting a peripheral (including handheld digital assistants) to your computer, you should always ground both yourself and the peripheral before connecting it to the computer. In addition, as you work inside the computer, periodically touch a metal-grounded object to remove any static charge that your body may have accumulated.

For more information about the wrist strap and ESD wrist strap tester, see [Components of an ESD Field Service Kit](#).

- Before transporting a static-sensitive component, place it in an anti-static container or packaging.

ESD Field Service kit

The unmonitored field service kit is the most commonly used service kit. Each Field Service kit includes three main components: anti-static mat, wrist strap, and bonding wire.

 **CAUTION:** It is critical to keep ESD-sensitive devices away from internal parts that are insulated and often highly charged, such as plastic heat sink casings.

Working environment

Before the ESD Field Service kit is deployed, conduct an evaluation of the site to ensure proper setup and readiness. For example, deploying the kit for a server environment is different than for a desktop or laptop environment. Servers are typically installed in a rack within a data center; desktops or laptops are typically placed on office desks or cubicles. Always look for a large open flat work area that is free of clutter and large enough to deploy the ESD kit with additional space to accommodate the type of computer that is being repaired. The workspace should also be free of insulators that can cause an ESD event. On the work area, insulators such as styrofoam and other plastics should always be moved at least 12 inches or 30 centimeters away from sensitive parts before physically handling any hardware components.

ESD packaging

All ESD-sensitive devices must be shipped and received in static-safe packaging. Metal, static-shielded bags are preferred. However, you should always return the damaged component using the same ESD bag and packaging that the new part arrived in. The ESD bag should be folded over and taped shut and all the same foam packing material should be used in the original box that the new part arrived in. ESD-sensitive devices should be removed from packaging only at an ESD-protected work surface, and parts should never be placed on top of the ESD bag because only the inside of the bag is shielded. Always place parts in your hand, on the anti-static mat, in the computer, or inside an ESD bag.

Components of an ESD Field Service kit

The components of an ESD Field Service kit are:

- **Anti-Static Mat** – The anti-static mat is dissipative and parts can be placed on it during service procedures. When using an anti-static mat, your wrist strap should be snug and the bonding wire should be connected to the anti-static mat and to any bare metal on the computer being worked on. Once deployed properly, service parts can be removed from the ESD bag and placed directly on the anti-static mat. ESD-sensitive items are safe in your hand, on the anti-static mat, in the computer, or inside an ESD bag.
- **Wrist Strap and Bonding Wire** – If an anti-static mat is not being used, the wrist strap and bonding wire should be connected directly between your wrist and an exposed metal part of the hardware. If you are using an anti-static mat, connect the wrist strap and bonding wire to the anti-static mat to ensure protection for any hardware placed on the mat. The physical connection of the wrist strap and bonding wire between your skin, the anti-static mat, and the hardware is known as bonding. Use only Field Service kits with a wrist strap, anti-static mat, and bonding wire. Never use wireless wrist straps. Always be cautious that the internal wires of a wrist strap are prone to damage from normal wear and tear, and must be checked regularly with a wrist strap tester in order to avoid accidental ESD hardware damage. It is recommended to test the wrist strap and bonding wire at least once per week.
- **ESD Wrist Strap Tester** – The wires inside an ESD strap are prone to damage over time. When using an unmonitored ESD kit, it is recommended to test the wrist strap regularly—ideally before each service session, and at a minimum, once per week. The most reliable method for testing is with a wrist strap tester. To perform the test, connect the bonding wire of the wrist strap to the tester while wearing the strap. Press the test button to initiate the check. A green LED indicates a successful test, while a red LED and audible alarm signal a failure.

 **NOTE:** It is recommended to always use the traditional wired ESD grounding wrist strap and protective anti-static mat when servicing Dell products. In addition, it is critical to keep sensitive parts separate from all insulator parts while servicing the computer.

Transporting sensitive components

When transporting ESD sensitive components such as replacement parts or parts to be returned to Dell, it is critical to place these parts in anti-static bags for safe transport.

After working inside your computer

About this task

 **CAUTION:** Leaving stray or loose screws inside your computer may severely damage your computer.

Steps

1. Replace all screws and ensure that no stray screws remain inside your computer.
2. Connect any external devices, peripherals, or cables you removed before working on your computer.
3. Replace any media cards, discs, or any other components that you removed before working on your computer.
4. Connect your computer and all attached devices to their electrical outlets.
5. Turn on your computer.

Recommended tools

The procedures in this document may require the following tools:

- Phillips screwdriver #1
- Torx #6 (T6) screwdriver
- Plastic scribe

Screw list

 **NOTE:** When removing screws from a component, it is recommended to note the screw type and the quantity of screws, and then place them in a screw storage box. This is to ensure that the correct number of screws and correct screw type is restored when the component is replaced.

 **NOTE:** Some computers have magnetic surfaces. Ensure that the screws are not left attached to such surfaces when replacing a component.

 **NOTE:** Screw color may vary depending on the configuration ordered.

Table 24. Screw list

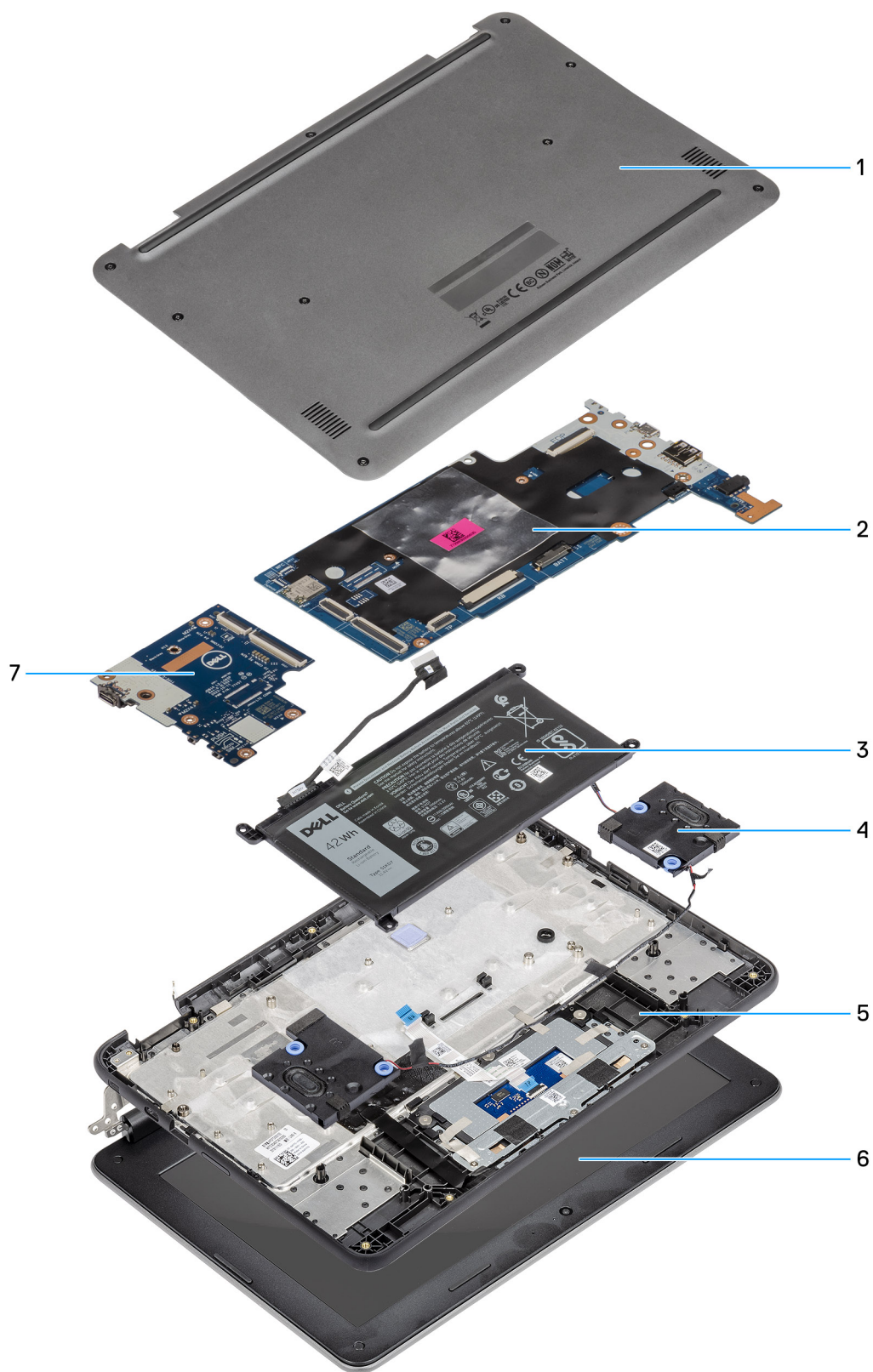
Component	Screw type	Quantity	Screw image
Base cover (with non-WWAN models)	Captive (Phillips #1) screws	9	
Base cover (with WWAN models)	Captive (Torx 6) screws	9	
WWAN bracket	M2x3	1	
Battery	M2x4	3	

Table 24. Screw list (continued)

Component	Screw type	Quantity	Screw image
Right I/O bracket	M2.5x5	1	
I/O board	M2x4	4	
WLAN bracket	M2x3	1	
Display-cable bracket	M2x4	1	
Top-left I/O bracket	M2.5x5	1	
Bottom-left I/O bracket	M2x4	2	
System board	M2x4	4	
Display assembly	M2.5x5	6	
Display bezel	M2.5x3.8	4	
Display panel	M2x3	4	
Display hinges	M2x3	2	
	M2.5x2.5	4	

Major components of Chromebook 3120

The following image shows the major components of Chromebook 3120.



- 1. Base cover
- 3. Battery
- 5. Palm-rest
- 7. I/O board

- 2. System board
- 4. Speakers
- 6. Display assembly

 **NOTE:** Dell provides a list of components and their part numbers for the original computer configuration purchased. These parts are available according to warranty coverage purchased by the customer. Contact your Dell sales representative for purchase options.

Removing and installing Customer Replaceable Units (CRUs)

The replaceable components in this chapter are Customer Replaceable Units (CRUs).

 **CAUTION:** Customers can replace only the Customer Replaceable Units (CRUs) following the safety precautions and replacement procedures.

 **NOTE:** The images in this document may differ from your computer depending on the configuration you ordered.

Base cover

Removing the base cover (for models without WWAN)

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the base cover and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.



Figure 9. Removing the base cover

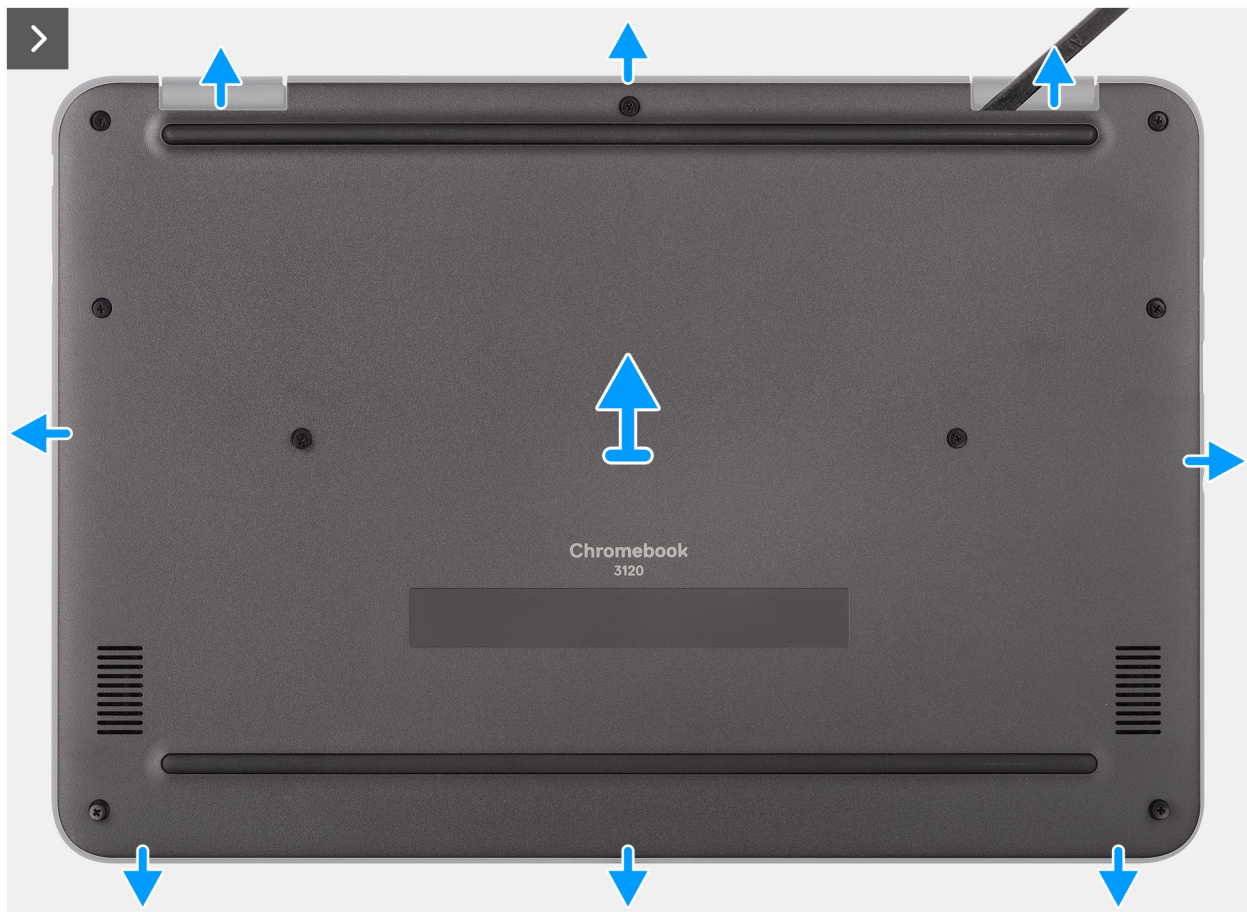


Figure 10. Removing the base cover

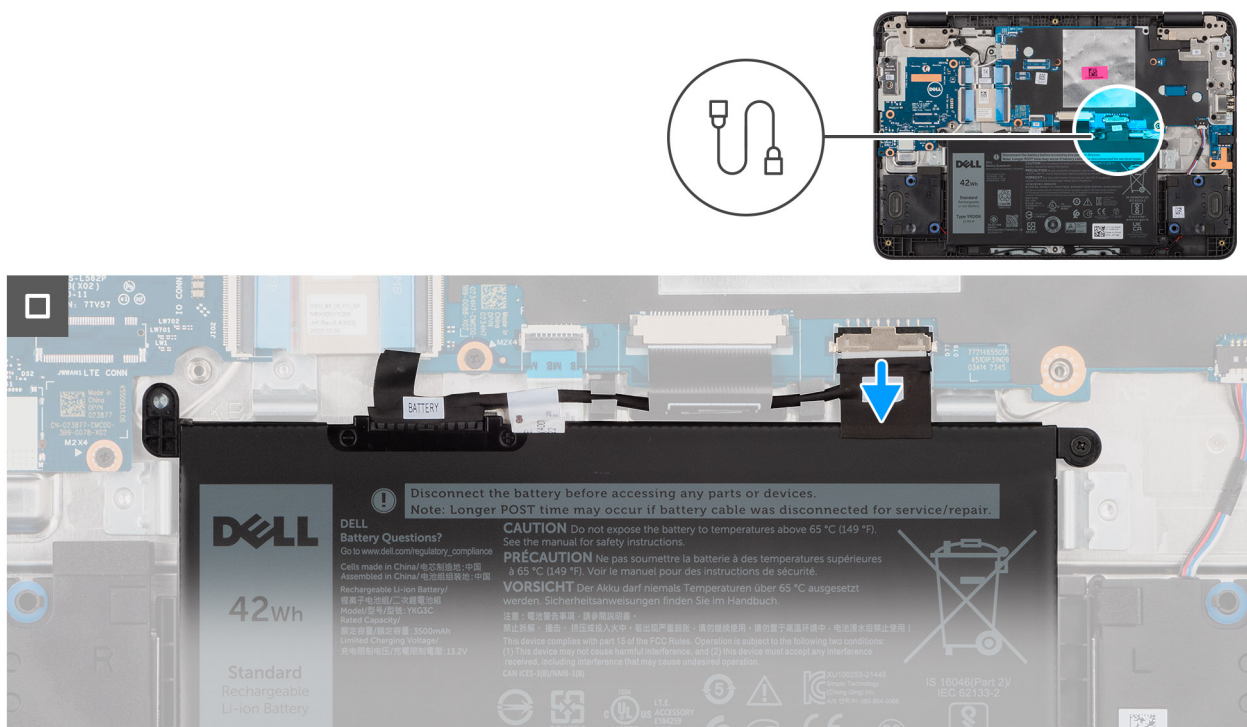


Figure 11. Disconnecting the battery cable

Steps

1. Loosen the nine captive (Phillips #1) screws that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.
2. Using a plastic scribe, pry the base cover from the U-shaped indents at the top and continue working on the sides to open the base cover.
3. Lift and remove the base cover off the palm-rest assembly.
4. Use the pull tab to disconnect the battery cable from the connector (BATT) on the system board.

Installing the base cover (for models without WWAN)

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the base cover and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.



Figure 12. Installing the base cover

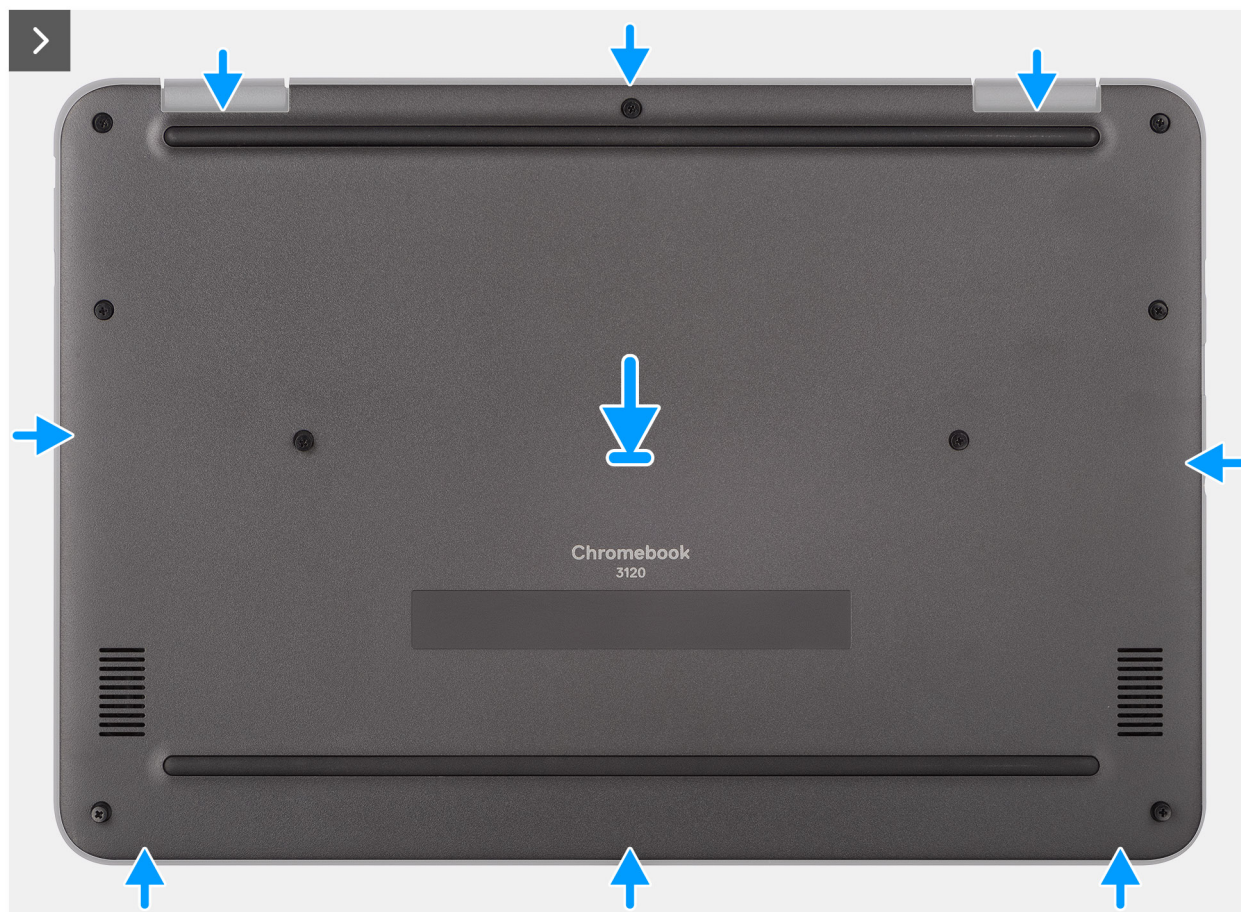


Figure 13. Installing the base cover



Figure 14. Installing the base cover

Steps

1. Connect the battery cable to the connector (BATT) on the system board.
2. Place the base cover on top of the palm-rest assembly.
3. Align the screw holes on the base cover with the screw holes on the palm-rest assembly, and snap the base cover into place.
4. Tighten the nine captive (Phillips #1) screws to secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.

Next steps

1. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Removing and installing Field Replaceable Units (FRUs)

The replaceable components in this chapter are Field Replaceable Units (FRUs).

 **CAUTION:** The information in this section is intended for authorized service technicians only.

 **CAUTION:** To avoid any potential damage to the component or loss of data, ensure that an authorized service technician replaces the Field Replaceable Units (FRUs).

 **CAUTION:** Dell Technologies recommends that these procedures be performed by trained technical repair specialists.

 **CAUTION:** Your warranty does not cover damages that may occur during FRU repairs that are not authorized by Dell Technologies.

 **NOTE:** The images in this document may differ from your computer depending on the configuration you ordered.

Base cover

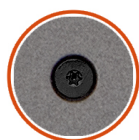
Removing the base cover (for models with WWAN)

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the base cover and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.



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Figure 15. Removing the base cover

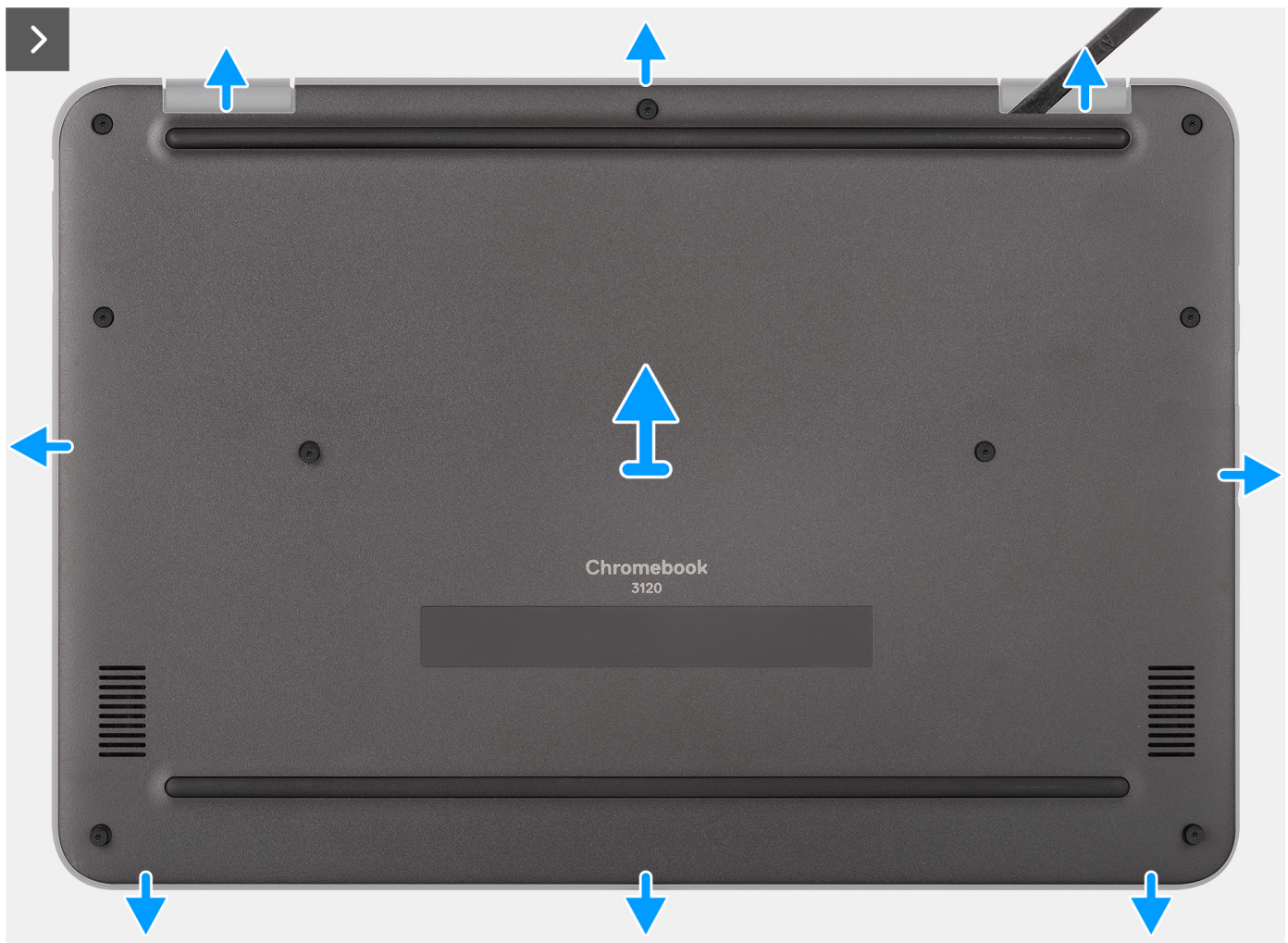


Figure 16. Removing the base cover

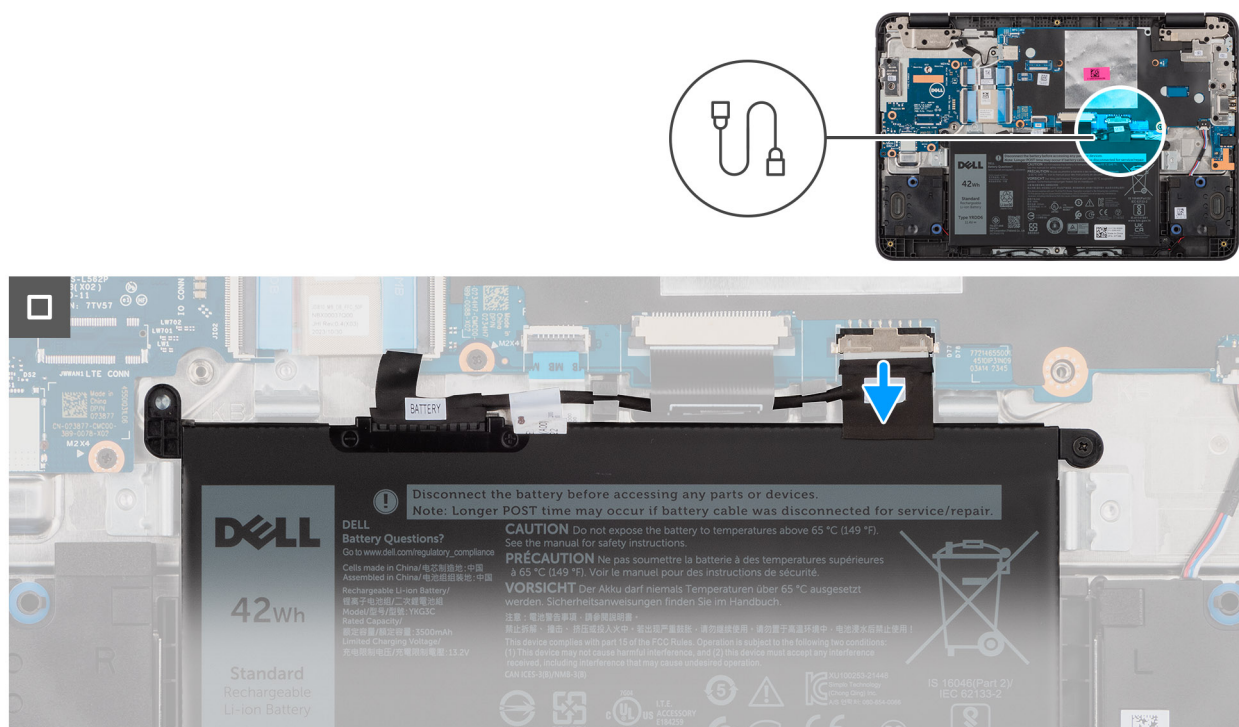


Figure 17. Removing the base cover

Steps

- Loosen the nine captive screws that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.
 - NOTE:** For Chromebook 3120 computers shipped with WWAN card, the base cover is secured using Torx 6 (not Phillips #1) screws.
- Using a plastic scribe, pry the base cover from the U-shaped indents at the top and continue working on the sides to open the base cover.
- Lift and remove the base cover off the palm-rest assembly.
- Use the pull tab to disconnect the battery cable from the connector (BATT) on the system board.

Installing the base cover (for models with WWAN)

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the base cover and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.

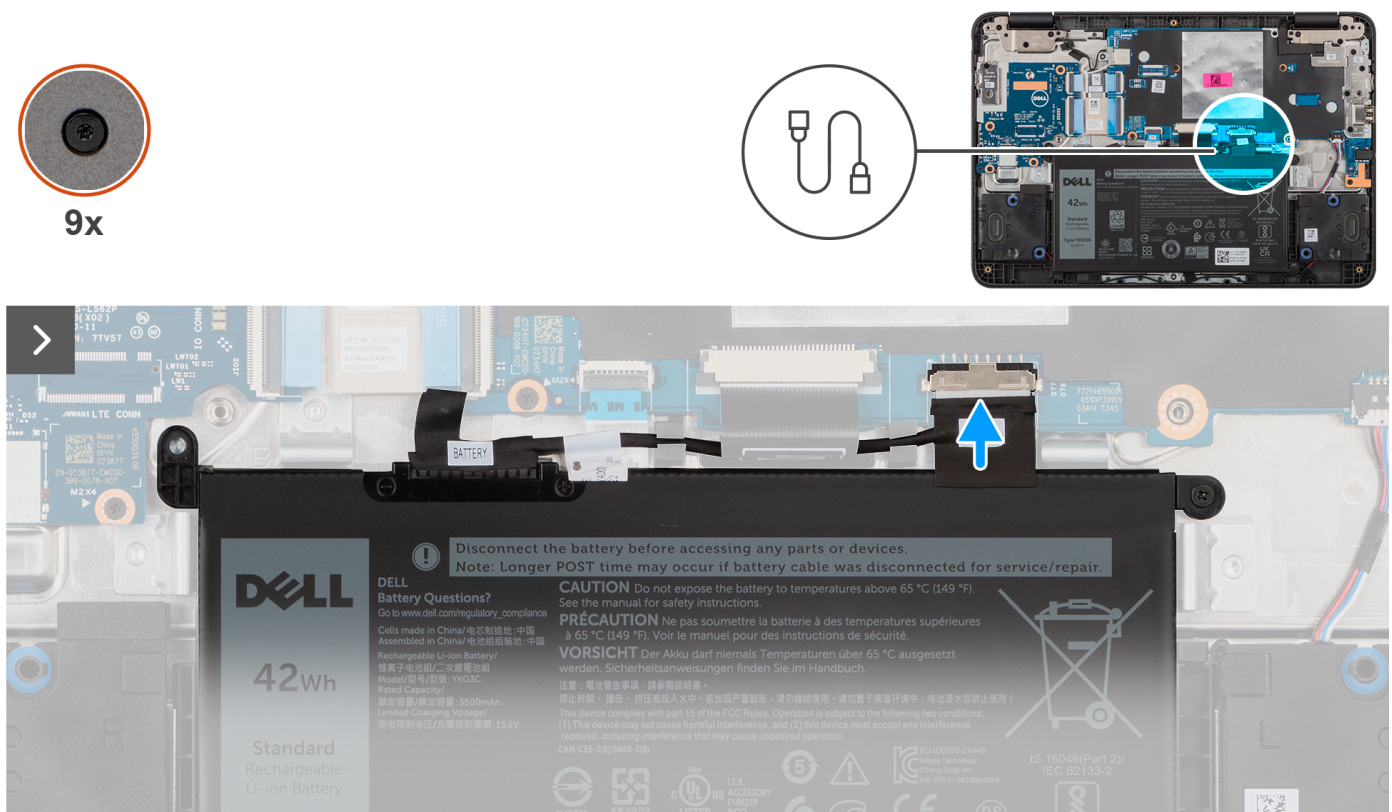


Figure 18. Installing the base cover



Figure 19. Installing the base cover



Figure 20. Installing the base cover

Steps

1. Connect the battery cable to the connector (BATT) on the system board.
2. Place the base cover on top of the palm-rest assembly.
3. Align the screw holes on the base cover with the screw holes on the palm-rest assembly, and snap the base cover into place.
4. Tighten the nine captive screws to secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.

NOTE: For Chromebook 3120 computers shipped with WWAN card, the base cover is secured using Torx 6 (not Phillips #1) screws.

Next steps

1. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

SIM-card tray (optional)

Removing the SIM card

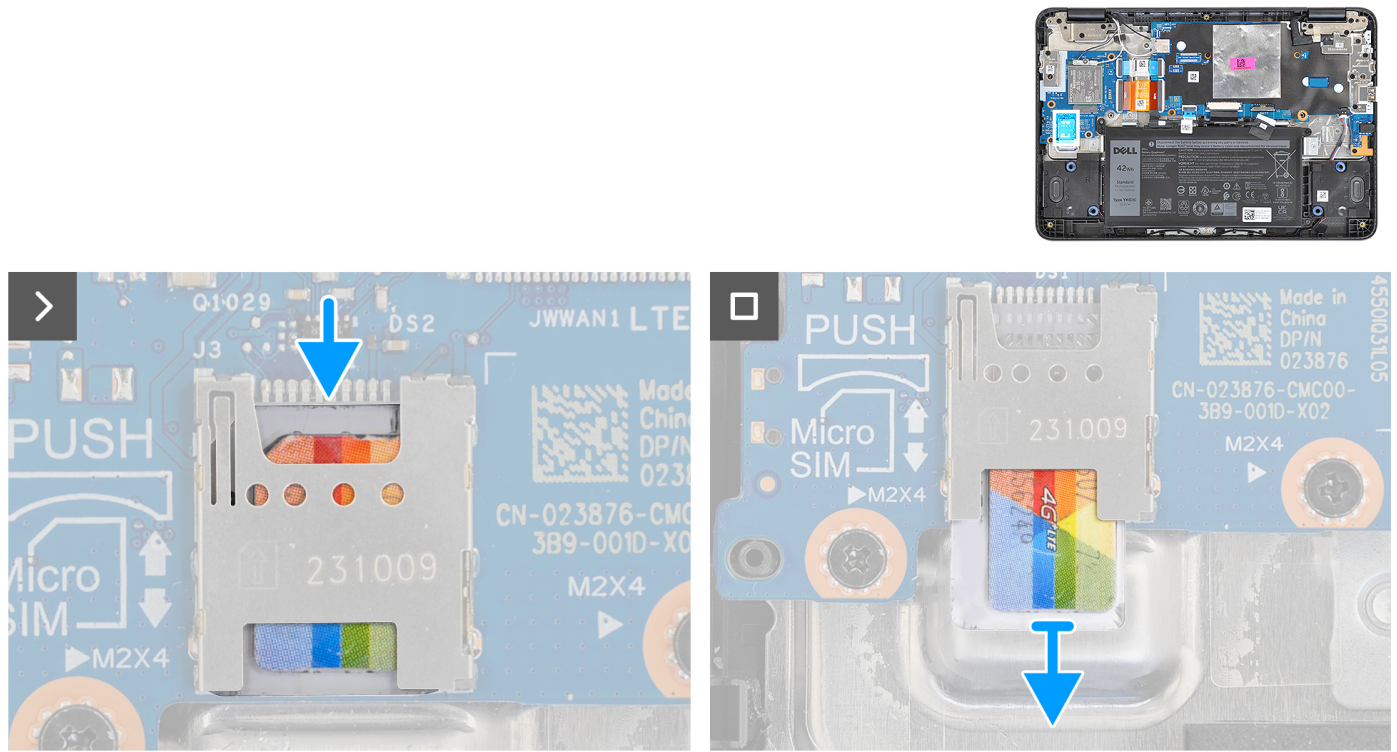
Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).

About this task

NOTE: The following steps are applicable only for computers that are shipped with WWAN antennas.

The following image indicates the location of the SIM card and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.



Steps

1. Gently push the SIM card to release it from the SIM card slot on the system board.
2. Slide the SIM card out from the slot on the system board.

NOTE: For Chromebook 3120 computers with WWAN card, the SIM card slot is located on the bottom-left side of the system board. The SIM card must be transferred to the new system board when replacing the system board.

Installing the SIM card

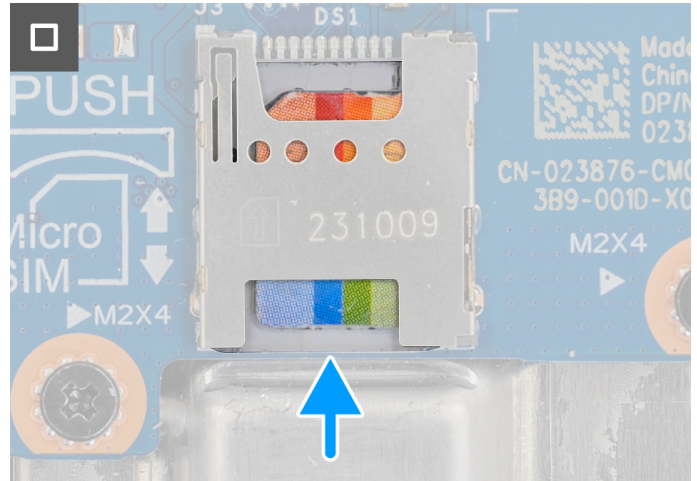
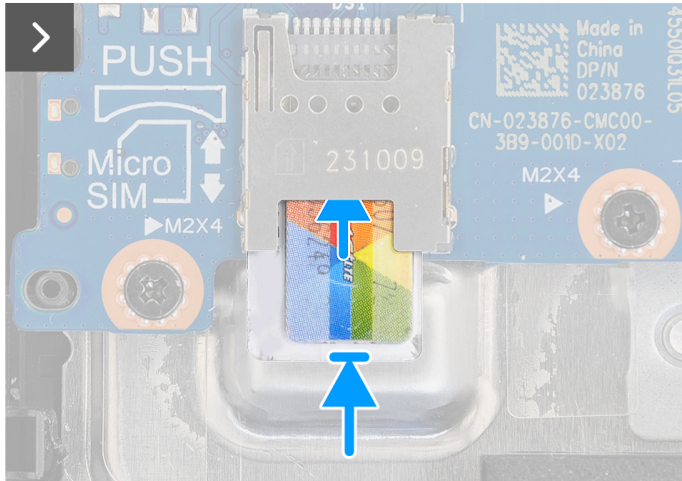
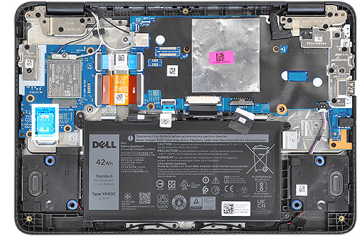
Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

NOTE: The following steps are applicable only for computers that are shipped with WWAN antennas.

The following image indicates the location of the SIM card and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.



Steps

1. Align and slide the SIM card into the SIM card slot on the system board.

NOTE: For Chromebook 3120 computers with WWAN card, the SIM card slot is located on the bottom-left side of the system board. The SIM card must be transferred to the new system board when replacing the system board.

2. Gently push the SIM card until it fits into place.

For more information about how to enable 4G in your Chromebook, see [Connect to a mobile data network](#).

Next steps

1. Install the [base cover](#).
2. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Wireless Wide Area Network (WWAN) card

Removing the WWAN card

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).

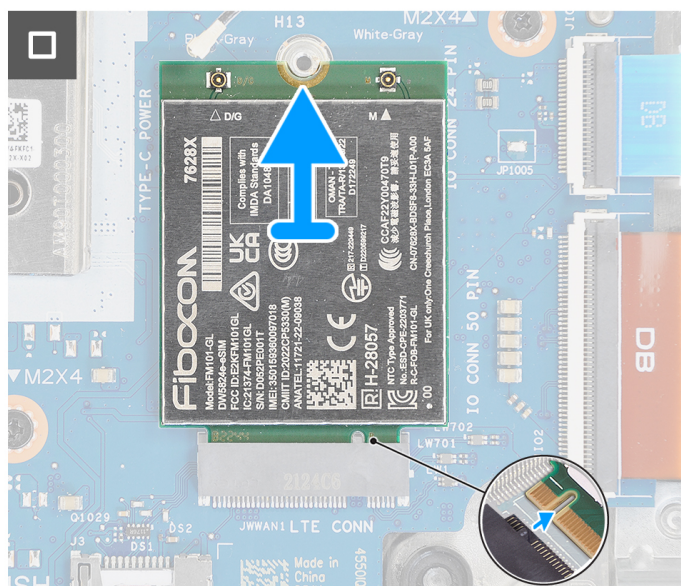
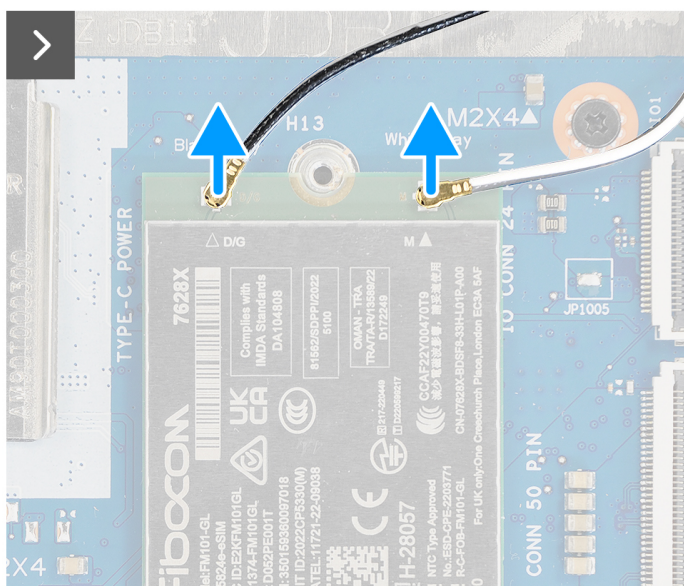
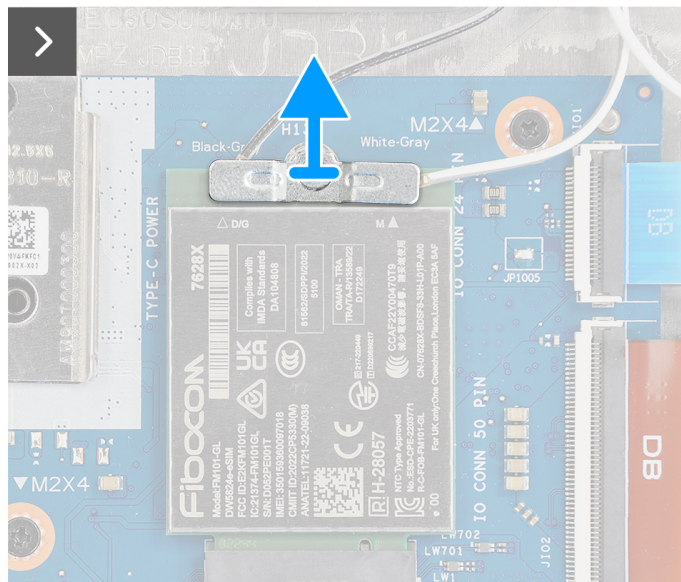
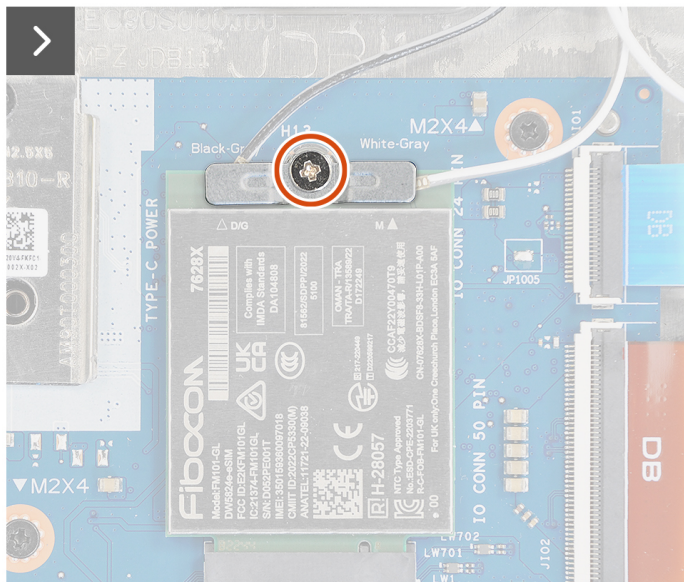
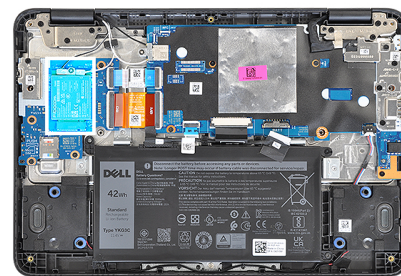
About this task

NOTE: The following steps are applicable only for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card.

The following image indicates the location of the WWAN card and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.



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M2x3



Steps

1. Remove the screw (M2x3) that secures the WWAN-card bracket to the WWAN card on the system board.
2. Remove the WWAN-card bracket from the WWAN card.
3. Disconnect the WWAN antenna cables from the connectors on the WWAN card.
4. Slide and remove the WWAN card from the WWAN-card slot on the system board.

Installing the WWAN card

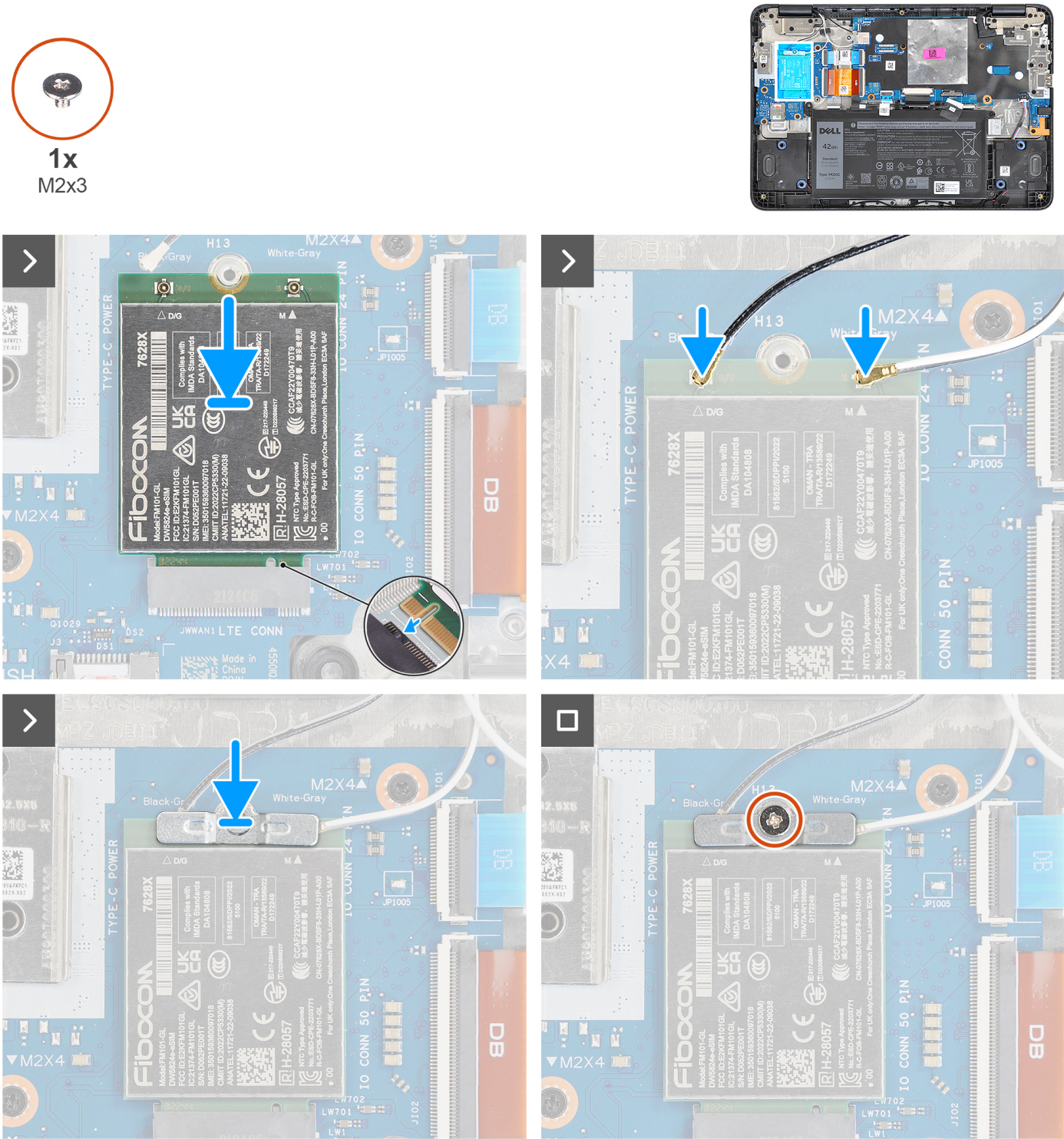
Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

NOTE: The following steps are applicable only for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card.

The following image indicates the location of the WWAN card and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.



Steps

1. Align the notch on the WWAN card with the tab on the WWAN-card slot.
2. Slide the WWAN card at an angle into the WWAN-card slot.
3. Connect the WWAN antenna cables to the connectors on the WWAN card.
4. Align and place the WWAN-card bracket on the system board.
5. Replace the screw (M2x3) to secure the WWAN card and WWAN-card bracket to the system board.

 **NOTE:** For instructions on how to find your computer's International Mobile Station Equipment Identity (IMEI) number, see the knowledge base article [000143678](#) at [Dell Support Site](#).

Next steps

1. Install the [base cover](#).
2. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Battery

Rechargeable Li-ion battery precautions

WARNING:

- Exercise caution when handling rechargeable Li-ion batteries.
- Discharge the battery completely before removing it. Disconnect the AC power adapter from the computer and operate the computer solely on battery power—the battery is fully discharged when the computer no longer turns on when the power button is pressed.
- Do not crush, drop, mutilate, or penetrate the battery with foreign objects.
- Do not expose the battery to high temperatures, or disassemble battery packs and cells.
- Do not apply pressure to the surface of the battery.
- Do not bend the battery.
- Do not use tools of any kind to pry on or against the battery.
- To prevent accidental puncture or damage to the battery and other components, ensure that no screws are lost or misplaced during the servicing of the computer.
- Always purchase genuine batteries from [Dell Site](#) or authorized Dell partners and resellers.
- Swollen batteries should not be used and should be replaced and disposed properly. For guidelines on how to handle and replace swollen rechargeable Li-ion batteries, see [Handling swollen rechargeable Li-ion batteries](#).

Removing the battery

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the battery and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.

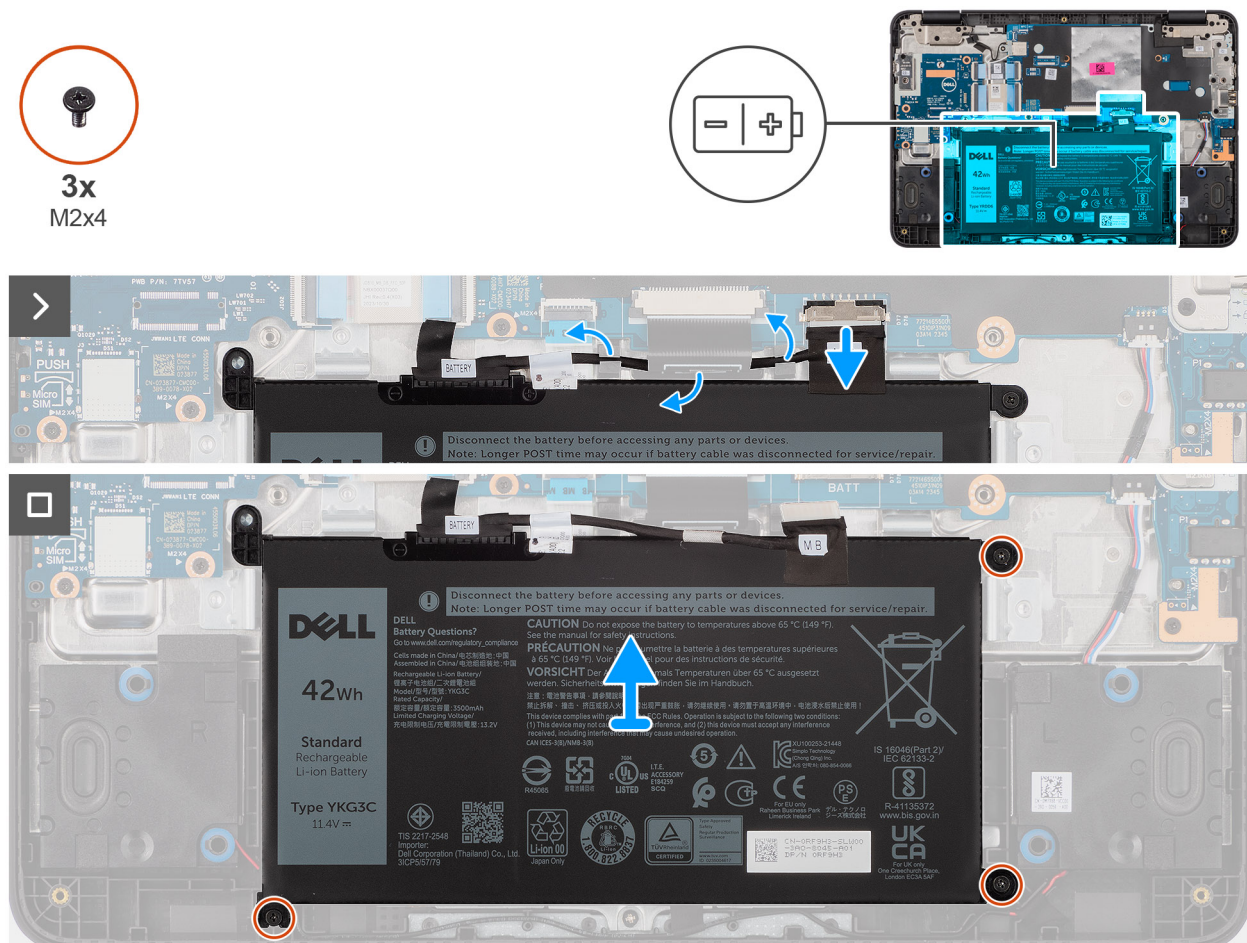


Figure 21. Removing the battery

Steps

1. Open the latch, and using the pull tab, disconnect the battery cable from the connector (BATT) on the system board.
2. Unroute the battery cable from the routing channels between the system board and battery.
3. Remove the three (M2x4) screws that secure the battery to the palm-rest assembly.
4. Lift the battery off the palm-rest assembly.

Installing the battery

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the battery and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.

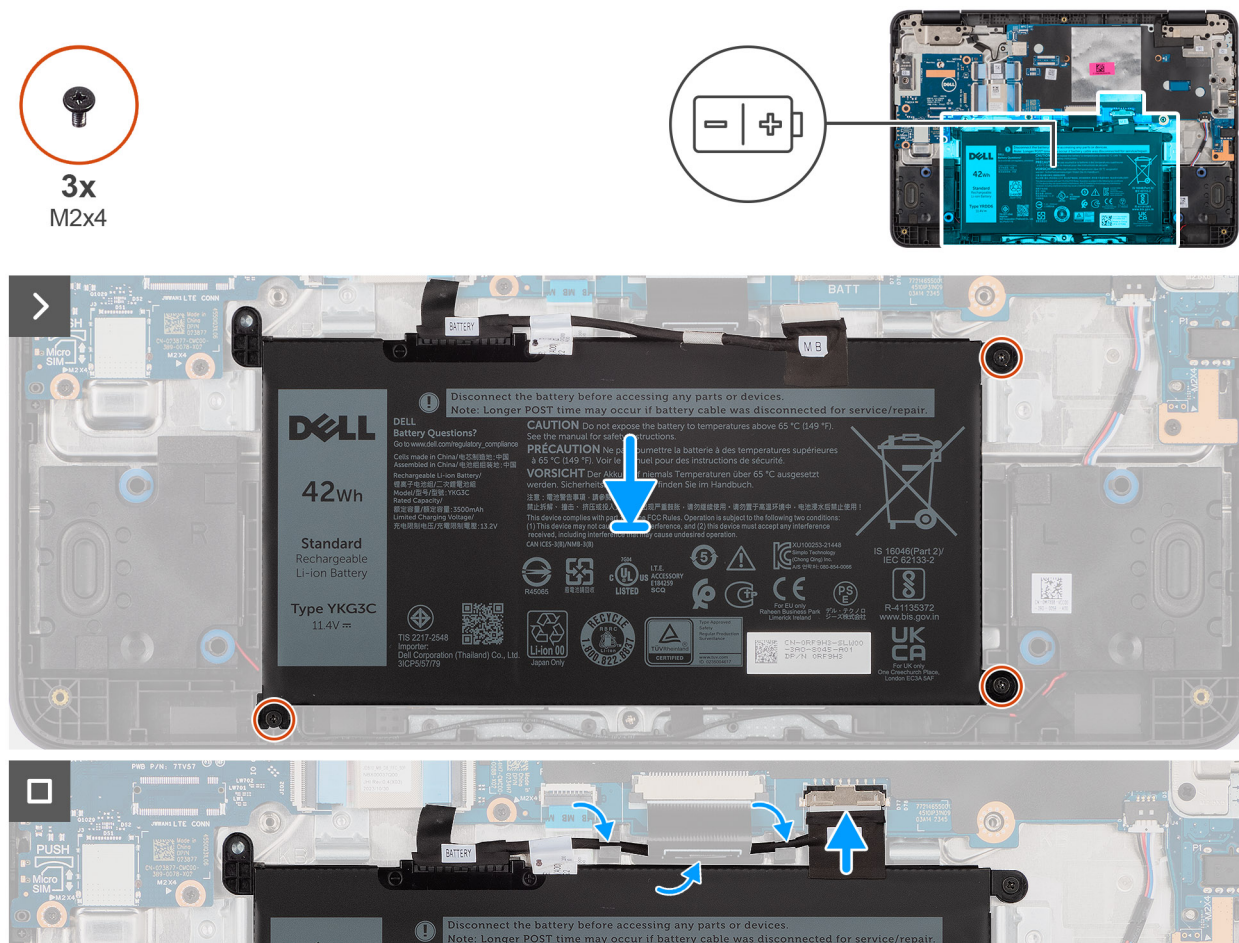


Figure 22. Installing the battery

Steps

1. Align and place the battery in the slot on the palm-rest assembly.
2. Replace the three (M2x4) screws to secure the battery to the palm-rest assembly.
3. Route the battery cable through the routing channels between the system board and battery.
4. Connect the battery cable to the connector (BATT) on the system board and close the latch.

Next steps

1. Install the [base cover](#).
2. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Battery cable

Removing the battery cable

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [battery](#).

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the battery cable and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.



Figure 23. Removing the battery cable

Steps

Disconnect the battery cable from the connector on the battery.

Installing the battery cable

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the battery cable and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.



Figure 24. Installing the battery cable

Steps

Connect the battery cable to the connector on the battery.

Next steps

1. Install the [battery](#).
2. Install the [base cover](#).
3. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Keyboard

Removing the keyboard

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the keyboard and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.

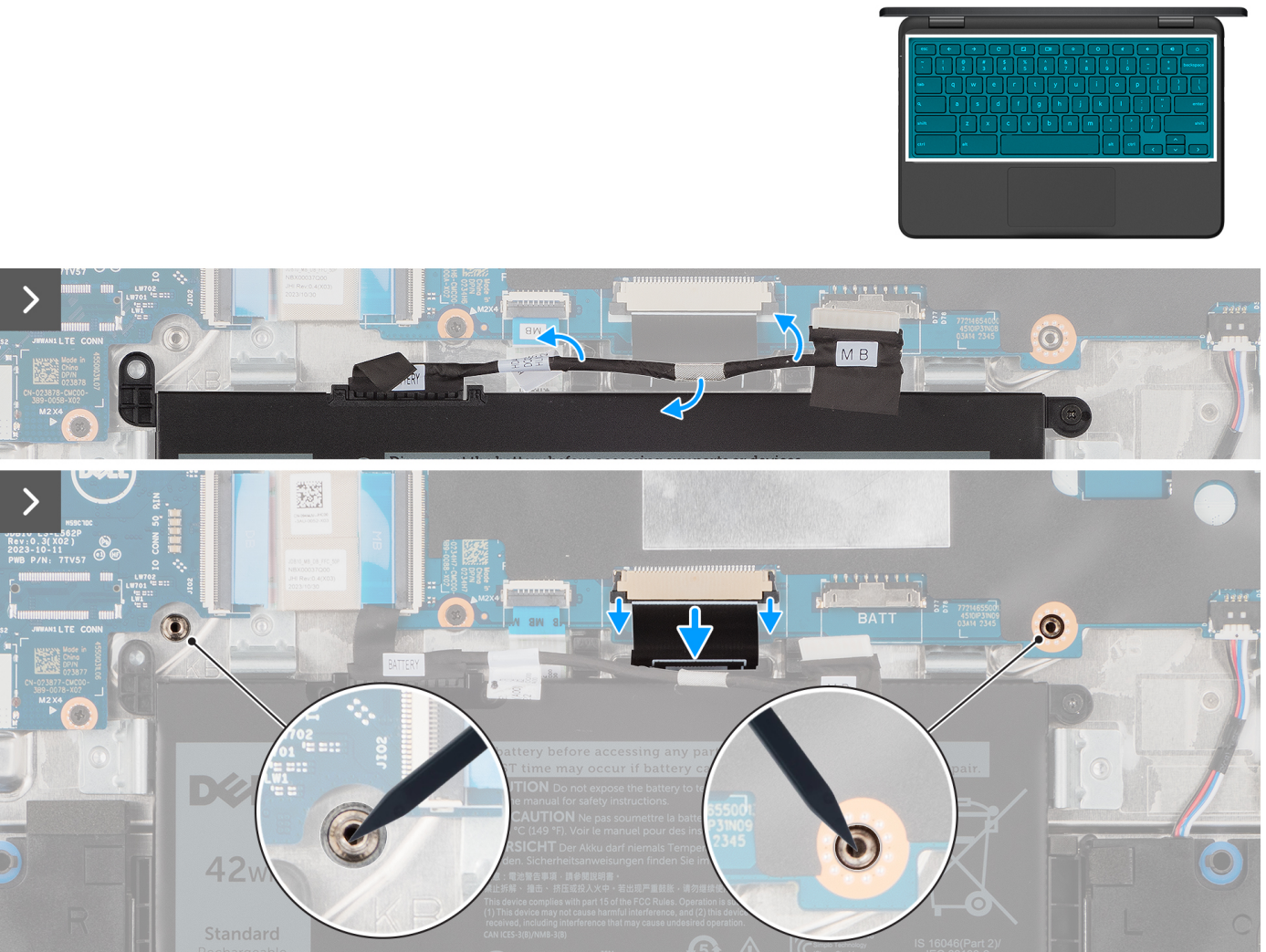


Figure 25. Removing the keyboard



Figure 26. Removing the keyboard

Steps

1. Unroute the battery cable from the routing channels between the system board and battery.
2. Push the release tabs and disconnect the keyboard cable from the connector (KB) on the system board.
3. Turn the computer over and open the display to an angle of 180 degrees with the keyboard facing up.
4. Hold the sides of the palm-rest securely while pushing into the two release holes using a plastic scribe.
5. Using a plastic scribe, gently separate the keyboard from the latches on the palm-rest assembly to release it from the keyboard bracket within the palm-rest assembly.
6. Remove the keyboard from the palm-rest assembly and carefully pull the keyboard cable through the gap on the palm-rest assembly.

Installing the keyboard

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the keyboard and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.



Figure 27. Installing the keyboard

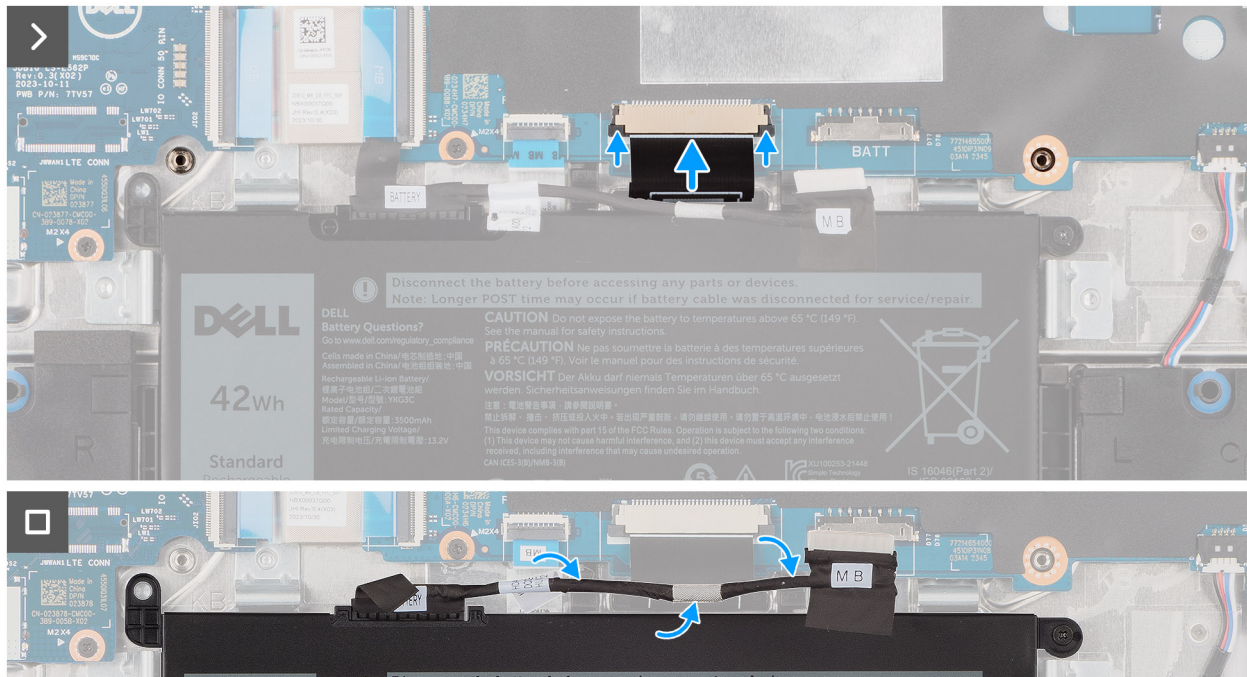


Figure 28. Installing the keyboard

Steps

1. Carefully insert the keyboard cable through the gap on the palm-rest assembly.
2. Align and place the keyboard on the palm-rest assembly.
3. Gently press the keyboard and snap it into place.
4. Close the display completely and turn the computer over.
5. Pull the keyboard cable through the gap in the palm-rest assembly.
6. Pull the release tabs and connect the keyboard cable to the connector (KB) on the system board.
7. Route the battery cable through the routing channels between the system board and battery.

Next steps

1. Install the [base cover](#).
2. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

I/O-board cable

Removing the I/O-board cables (24-pin and 50-pin)

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the I/O-board cables (24-pin and 50-pin) and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.

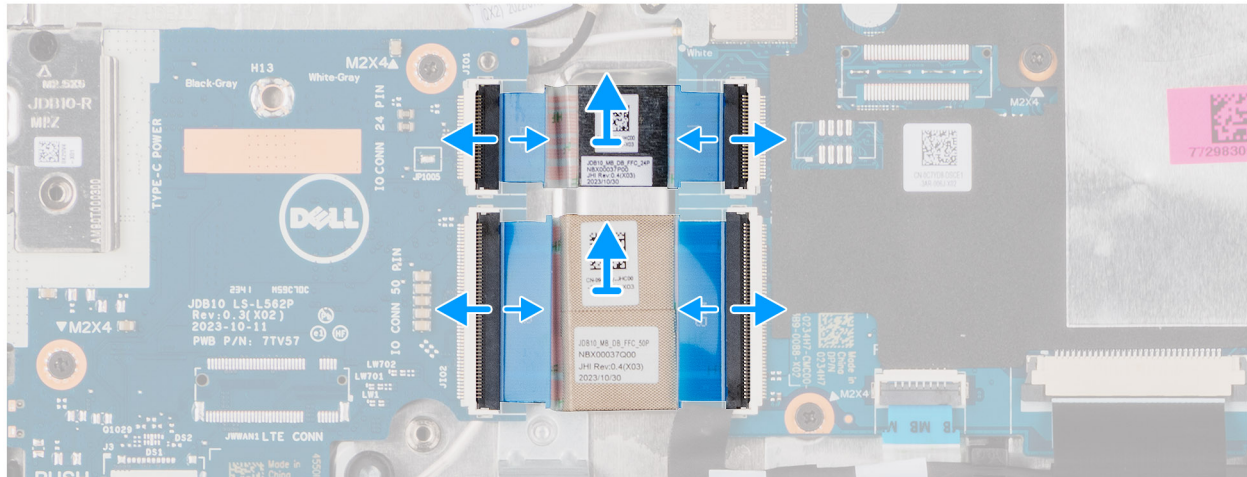
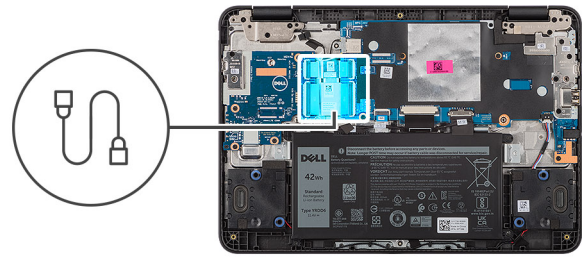


Figure 29. Removing the I/O-board cables (24-pin and 50-pin)

Steps

1. Lift the cable-connector latch and disconnect the 24-pin I/O-board cable from the connector on the system board.
2. Lift the cable-connector latch and disconnect the 24-pin I/O-board cable from the connector on the I/O board.
3. Lift the cable-connector latch and disconnect the 50-pin I/O-board cable from the connector on the system board.
4. Lift the cable-connector latch and disconnect the 50-pin I/O-board cable from the connector on the I/O board.
5. Remove the 24-pin and 50-pin I/O-board cables from the palm-rest assembly.

Installing the I/O-board cables (24-pin and 50-pin)

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the I/O-board cables (24-pin and 50-pin) and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.

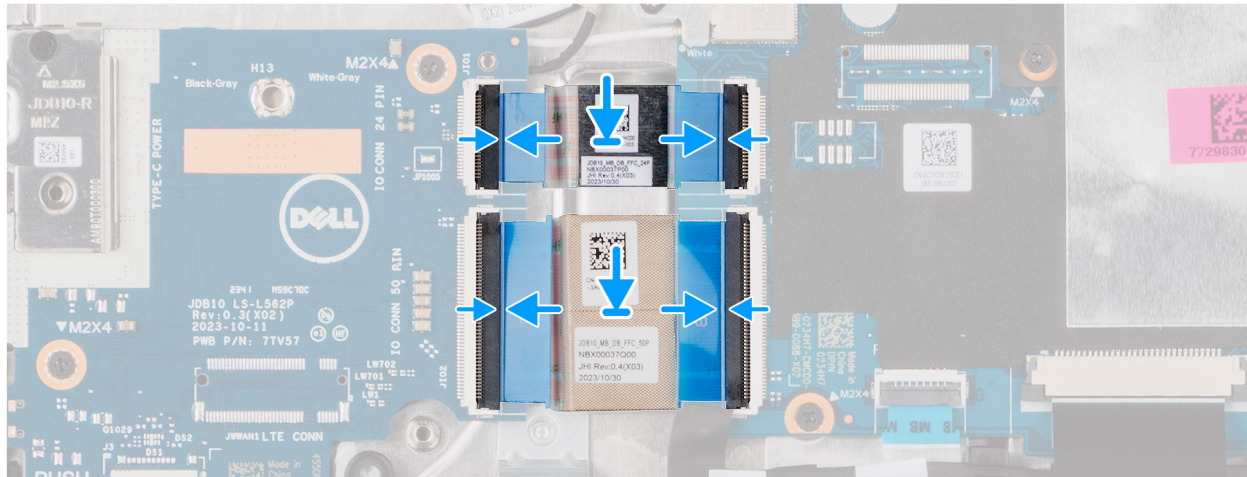
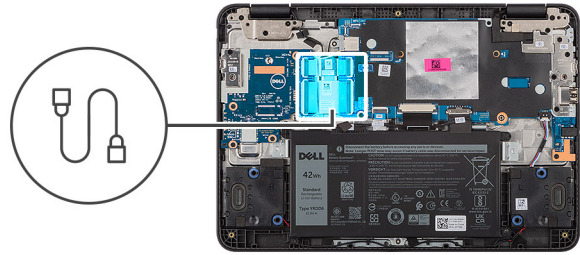


Figure 30. Installing the I/O-board cables (24-pin and 50-pin)

Steps

1. Connect the 24-pin I/O-board cable to the connector on the system board and press down the cable-connector latch to secure the cable in place.
2. Connect the 24-pin I/O-board cable to the connector on the I/O board and press down the cable-connector latch to secure the cable in place.
3. Connect the 50-pin I/O-board cable to the connector on the system board and press down the cable-connector latch to secure the cable in place.
4. Connect the 50-pin I/O-board cable to the connector on the I/O board and press down the cable-connector latch to secure the cable in place.

Next steps

1. Install the [base cover](#).
2. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

I/O board

Removing the I/O board

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [SIM card](#) (for computers that are shipped with WWAN antennas).
4. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with WWAN card).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the I/O board and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.

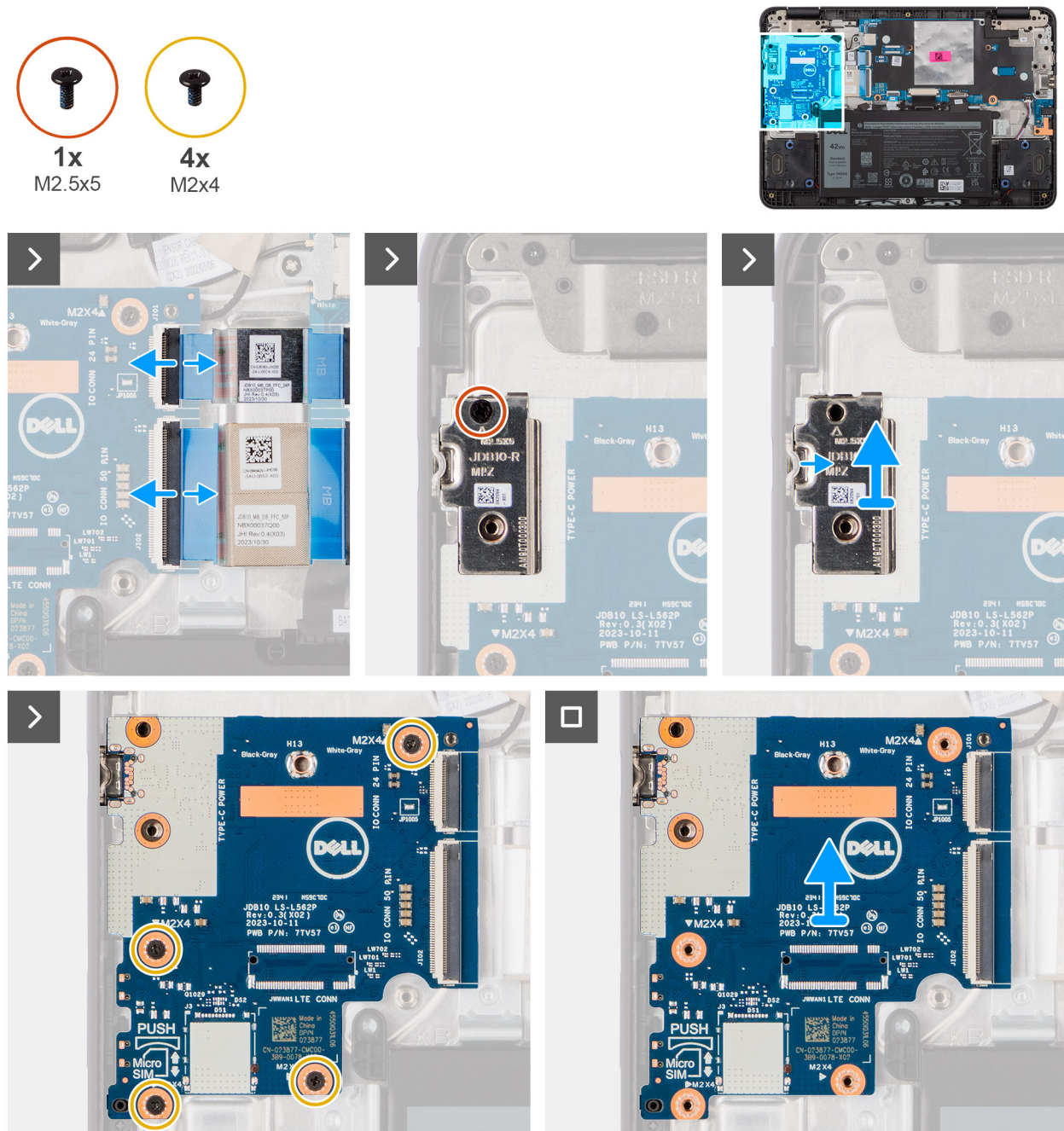


Figure 31. Removing the I/O board

Steps

1. Lift the cable-connector latch and disconnect the 24-pin I/O-board cable from the connector on the I/O board.
2. Lift the cable-connector latch and disconnect the 50-pin I/O-board cable from the connector on the I/O board.
3. Remove the screw (M2.5x5) that secures the Type-C bracket in place.
4. Slide and remove the Type-C bracket from the computer.

NOTE: Do not remove the Type-C brackets located underneath the I/O board or system board.

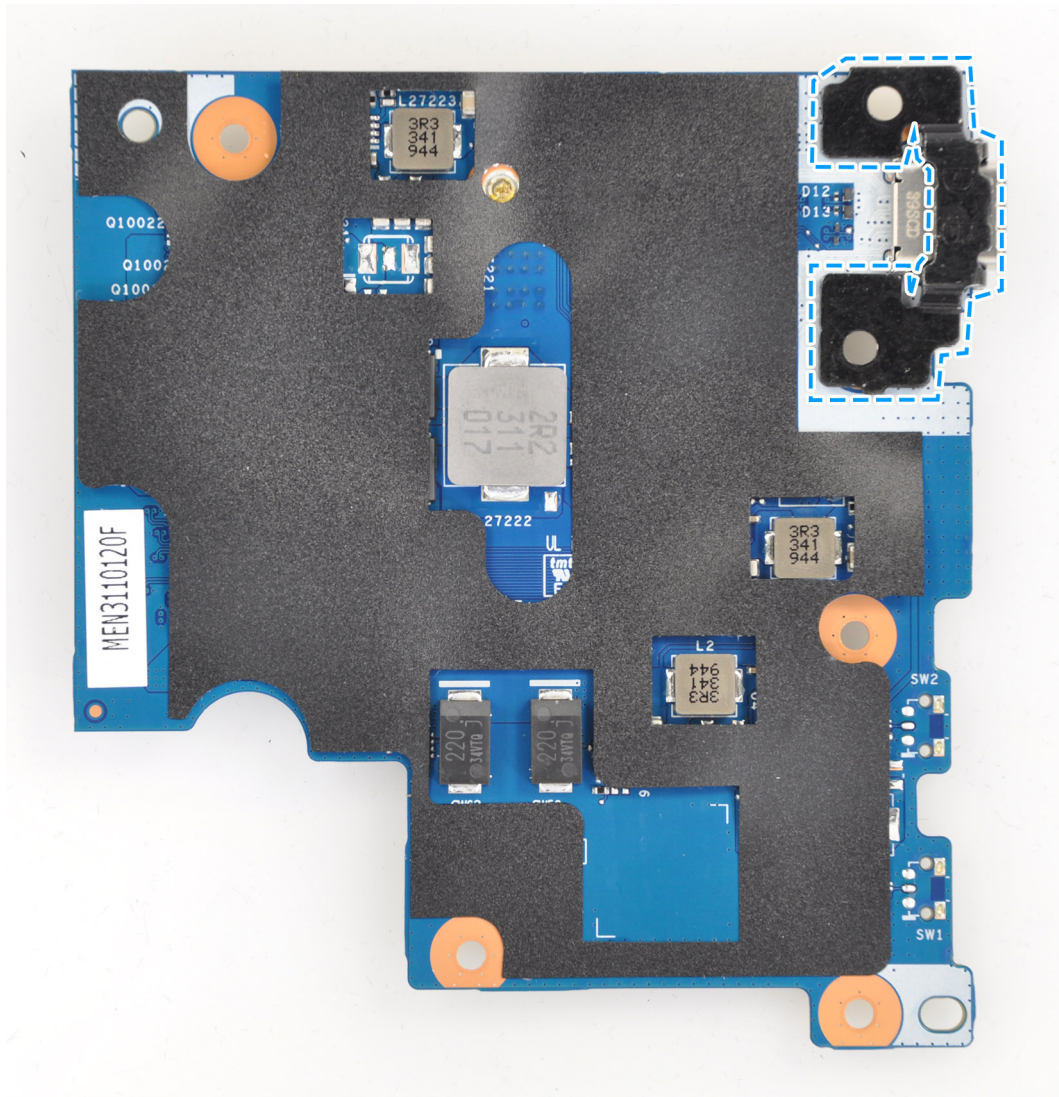


Figure 32. Type-C brackets not to be removed

5. Remove the four (M2x4) screws that secure the I/O board in place.
6. Slide and remove the I/O board from the computer.

Installing the I/O board

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the I/O board and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.

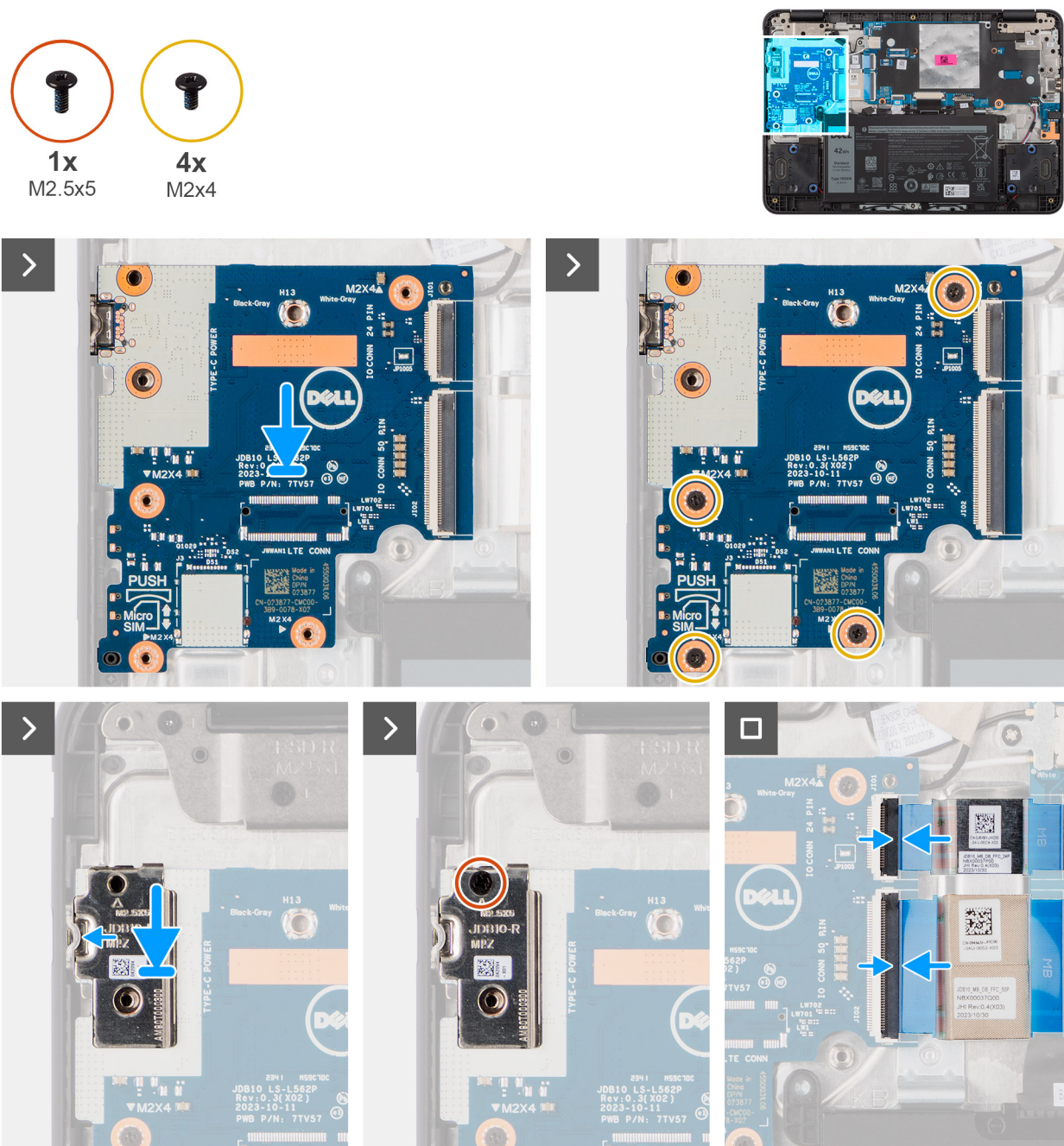


Figure 33. Installing the I/O board

Steps

1. Align and place the I/O board on the palm-rest assembly.
2. Replace the four (M2x4) screws to secure the I/O board in place.
3. Align and place the Type-C bracket on the I/O board.
4. Replace the screw (M2.5x5) to secure the Type-C bracket in place.
5. Connect the 24-pin I/O-board cable to the connector on the I/O board and press down the cable-connector latch to secure the cable in place.
6. Connect the 50-pin I/O-board cable to the connector on the I/O board and press down the cable-connector latch to secure the cable in place.

Next steps

1. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).

2. Install the [SIM card](#) (for computers that are shipped with WWAN antennas).
3. Install the [base cover](#).
4. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Speakers

Removing the speakers

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [battery](#).

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the speakers and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.

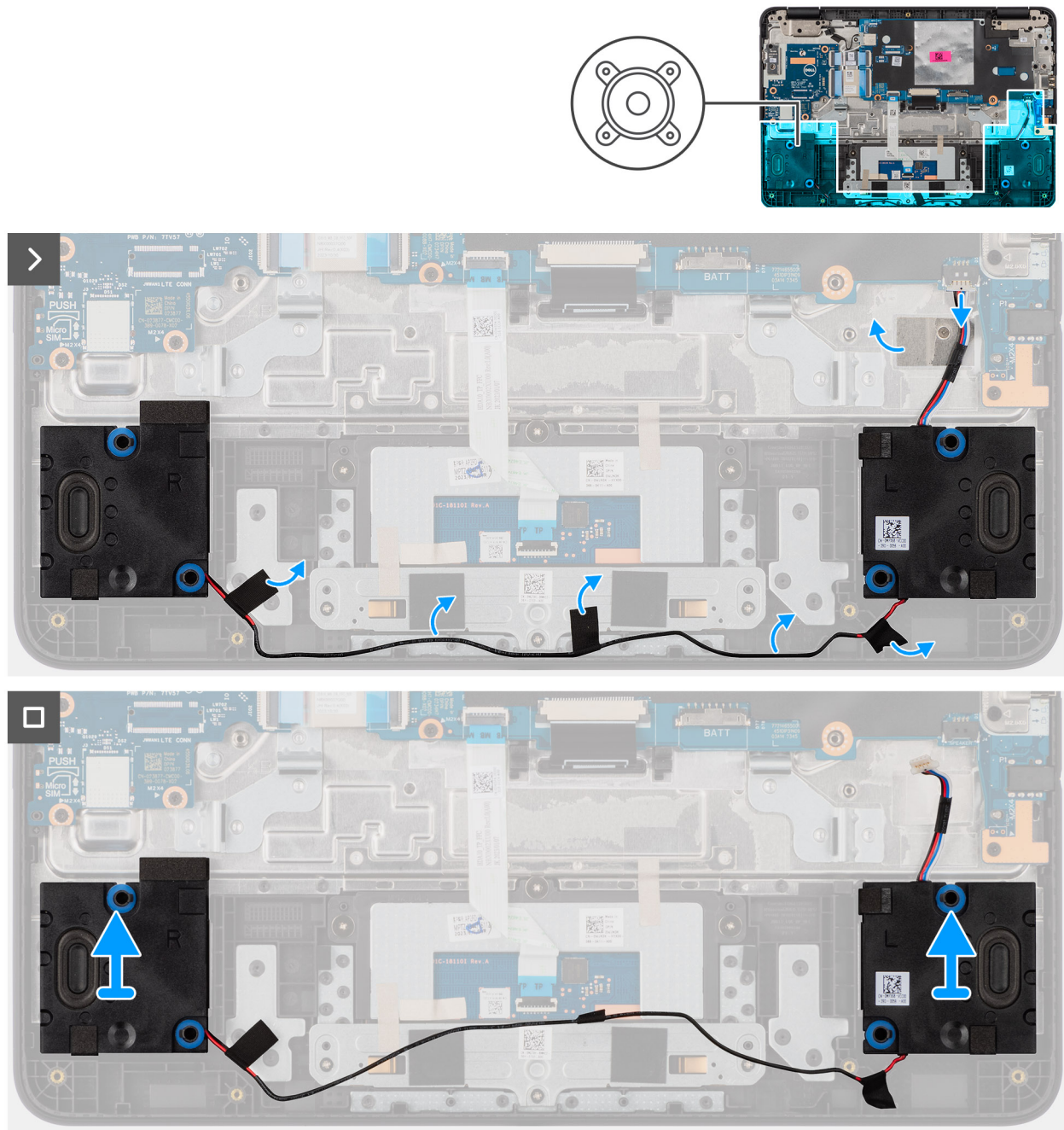


Figure 34. Removing the speakers

Steps

1. Peel back the transparent tape that secures the speaker cable to the palm-rest.
 2. Disconnect the speaker cable from the connector (SPEAKER) on the system board.
 3. Peel the three pieces of adhesive tape that secure the speaker cable to the palm-rest.
 4. Unroute the speaker cable from the routing channels in the palm-rest assembly.
- NOTE:** When replacing the speakers, the speaker cable must be routed through the routing channels at the bottom of the palm-rest to avoid damaging the speaker cables when installing the base cover.
5. Remove the speakers along with the cable off the palm-rest assembly.

Installing the speakers

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the speakers and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.

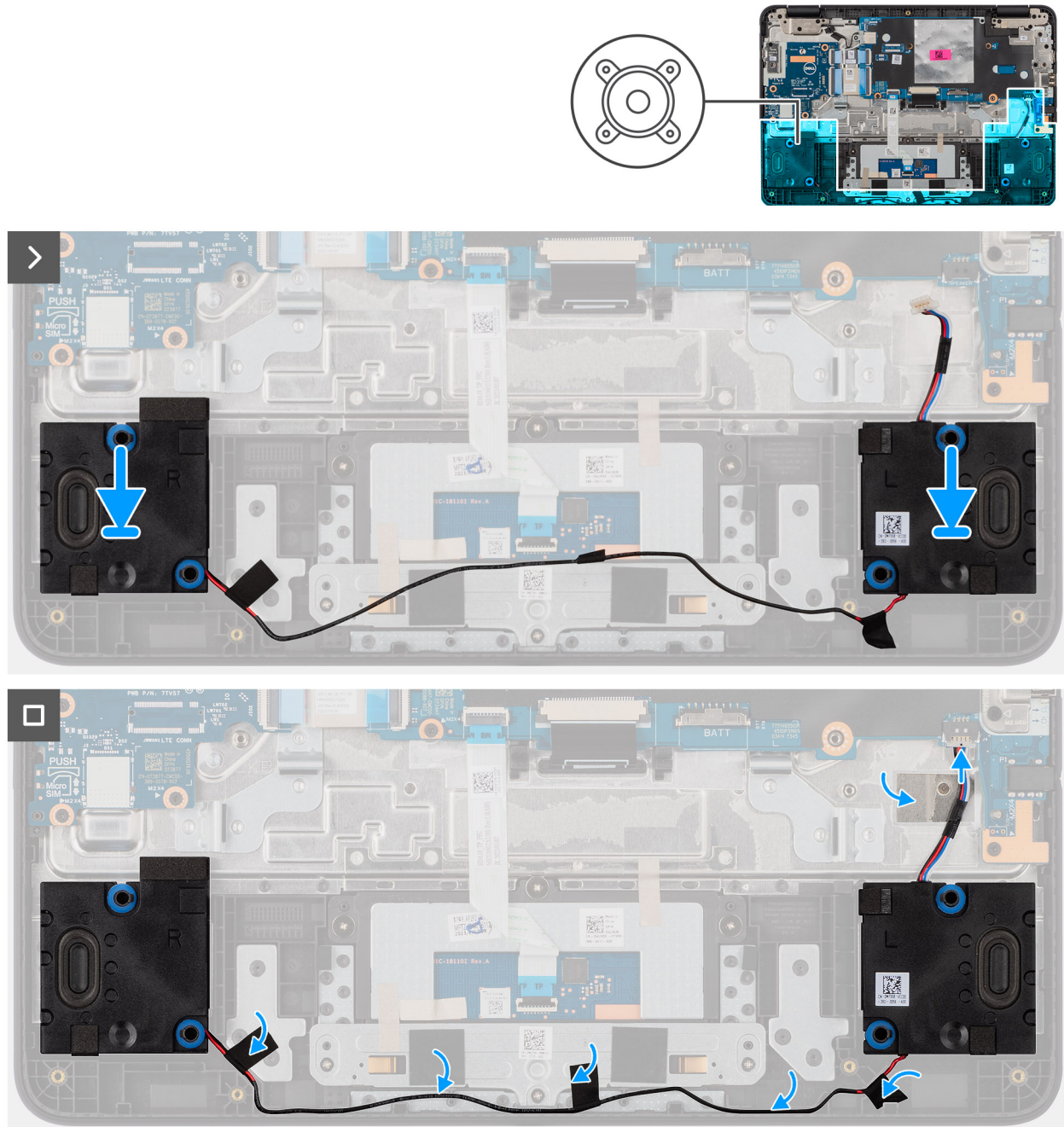


Figure 35. Installing the speakers

Steps

1. Using the alignment posts, place the speakers into the slots on the palm-rest assembly.
2. Route the speaker cable through the routing channels in the palm-rest assembly.

NOTE: The speaker cable must be routed through the routing channels at the bottom of the palm-rest to avoid damaging the speaker cable when installing the base cover.

3. Adhere the three pieces of adhesive tape to secure the speaker cable on the palm-rest.
4. Connect the speaker cable to the connector (SPEAKER) on the system board.
5. Adhere the transparent tape to secure the speaker cable in place.

Next steps

1. Install the [battery](#).
2. Install the [base cover](#).
3. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

System board

Removing the system board

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the connectors on your system board.

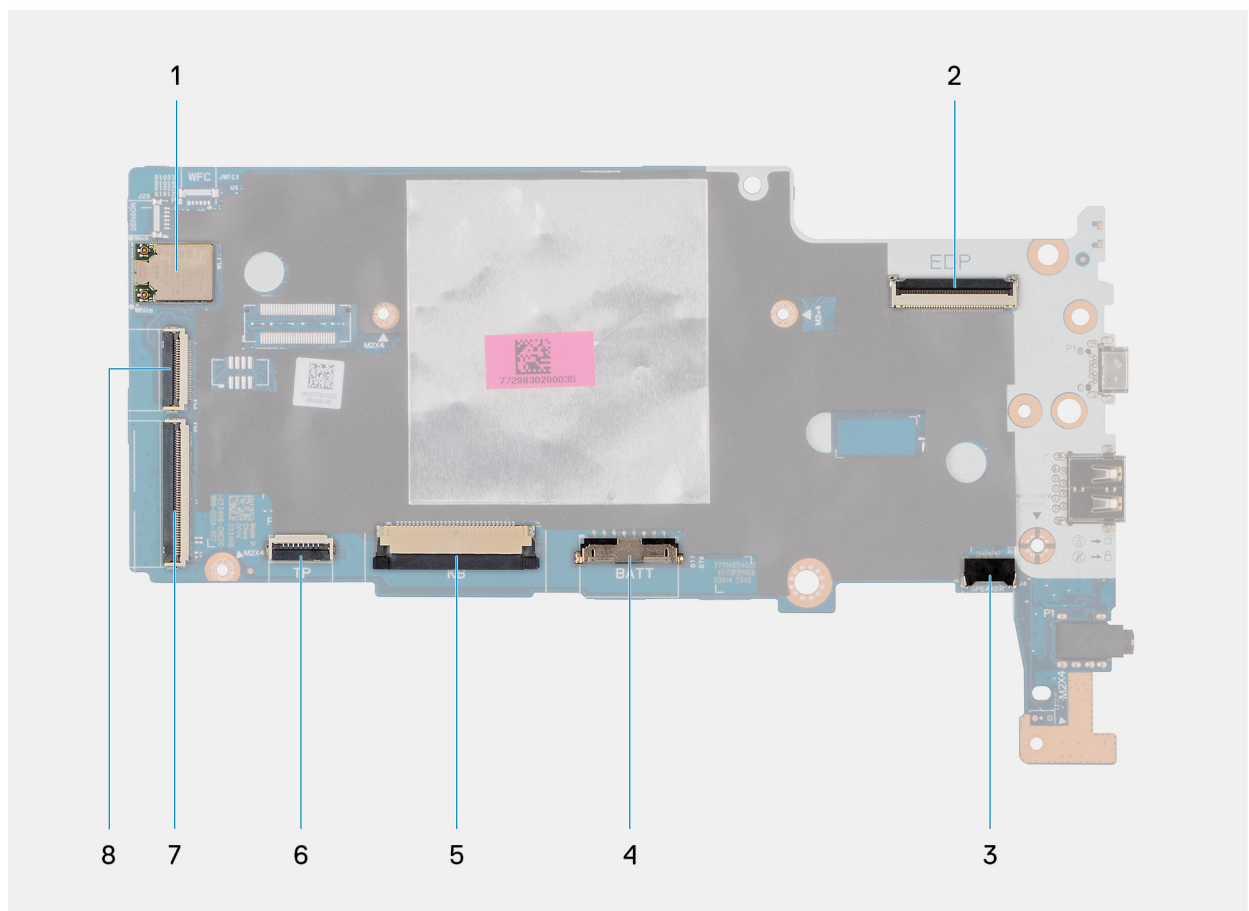


Figure 36. System board connectors

1. WLAN card (WL1) connector
2. Display cable (EDP) connector
3. Speaker cable (SPEAKER) connector
4. Battery cable (BATT) connector
5. Keyboard cable (KB) connector
6. Touchpad cable (TP) connector
7. 50-pin I/O-board connector
8. 24-pin I/O-board connector

The following images indicate the location of the system board and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.

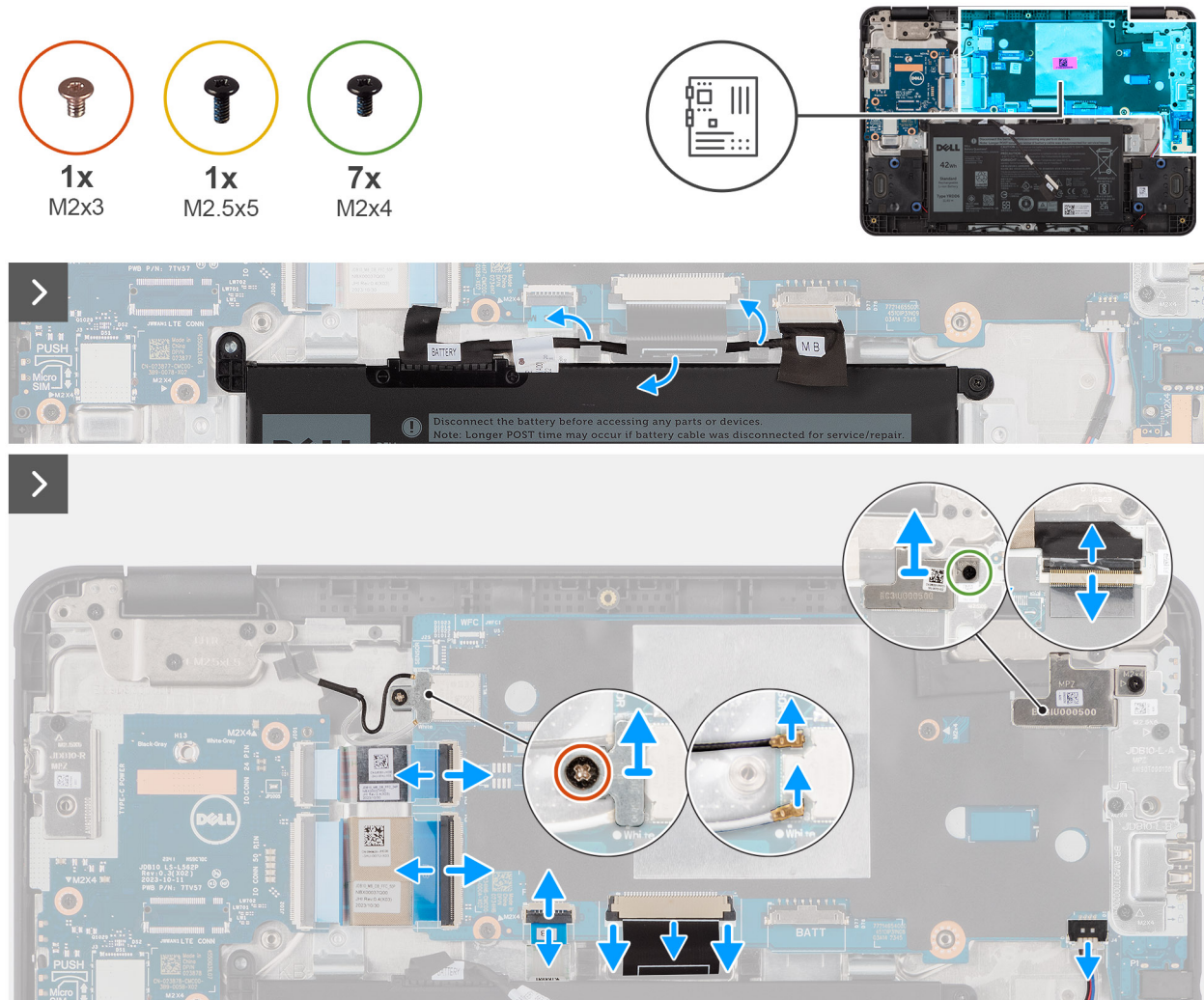


Figure 37. Removing the system board

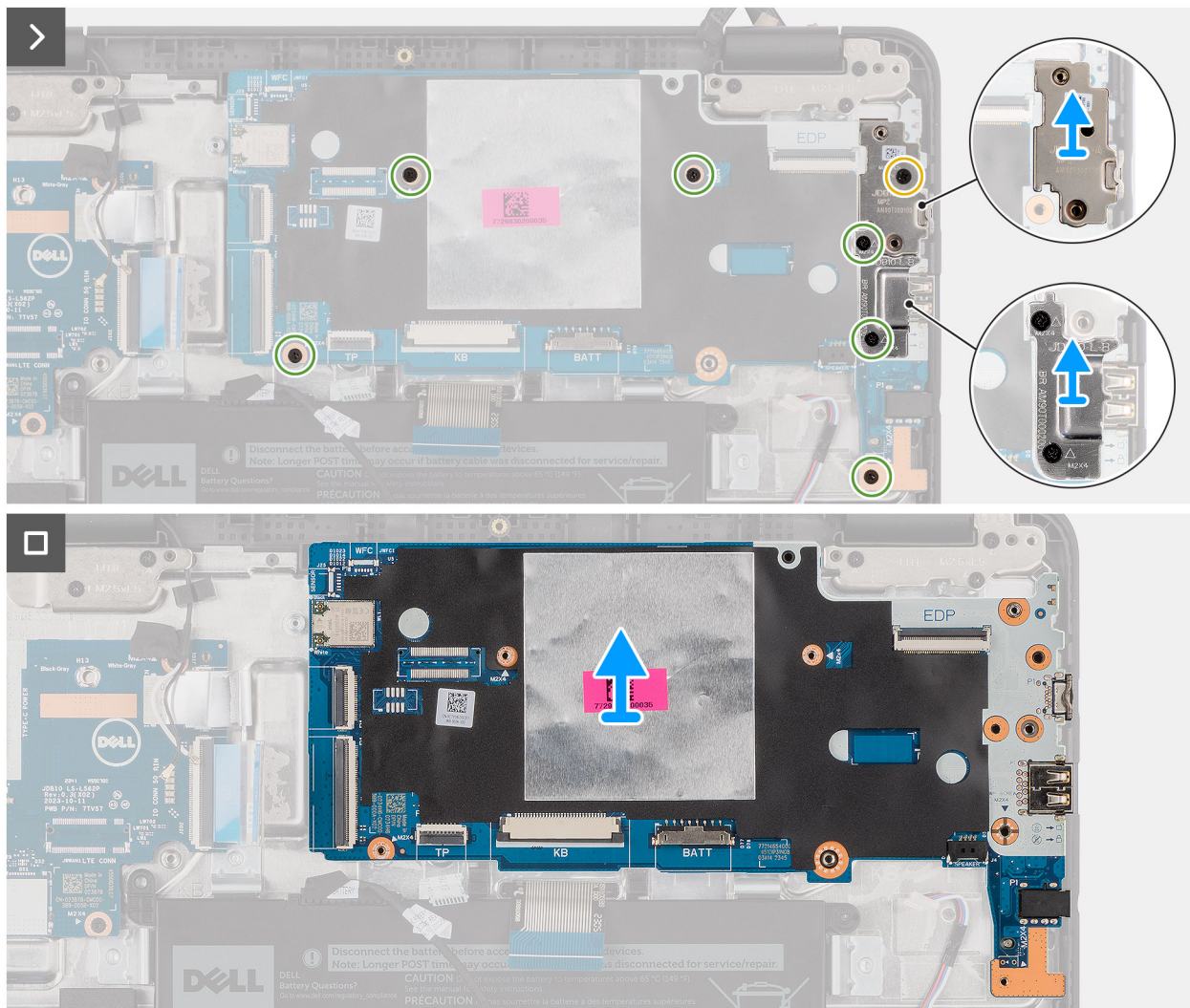


Figure 38. Removing the system board

Steps

1. Unroute the battery cable from the routing channels between the system board and battery.
2. Remove the (M2x3) screw that secures the WLAN card bracket to the WLAN card module on the system board.
3. Remove the WLAN card bracket from the WLAN card module that secures the two antenna cables.
4. Disconnect the WLAN antenna cables from the connectors on the WLAN card module.
5. Remove the (M2x4) screw that secures the display-cable bracket to the system board.
6. Remove the display-cable bracket from the system board.
7. Disconnect the following cables from the system board:
 - a. display cable (EDP)
 - b. speaker cable (SPEAKER)
 - c. touchpad cable (TP)
 - d. keyboard cable (KB)
 - e. 50-pin I/O-board cable (for models shipped with an I/O daughter board)
 - f. 24-pin I/O-board cable (for models shipped with an I/O daughter board)
8. Remove the (M2.5x5) screw that secures the top-left I/O bracket in place.
9. Remove the top-left I/O bracket from the computer.
10. Remove the two (M2x4) screws that secure the bottom-left I/O bracket in place.
11. Remove the bottom-left I/O bracket from the computer.
12. Remove the four (M2x4) screws that secure the system board to the palm-rest assembly.

NOTE: Do not remove the Type-C brackets located underneath the I/O board or system board.

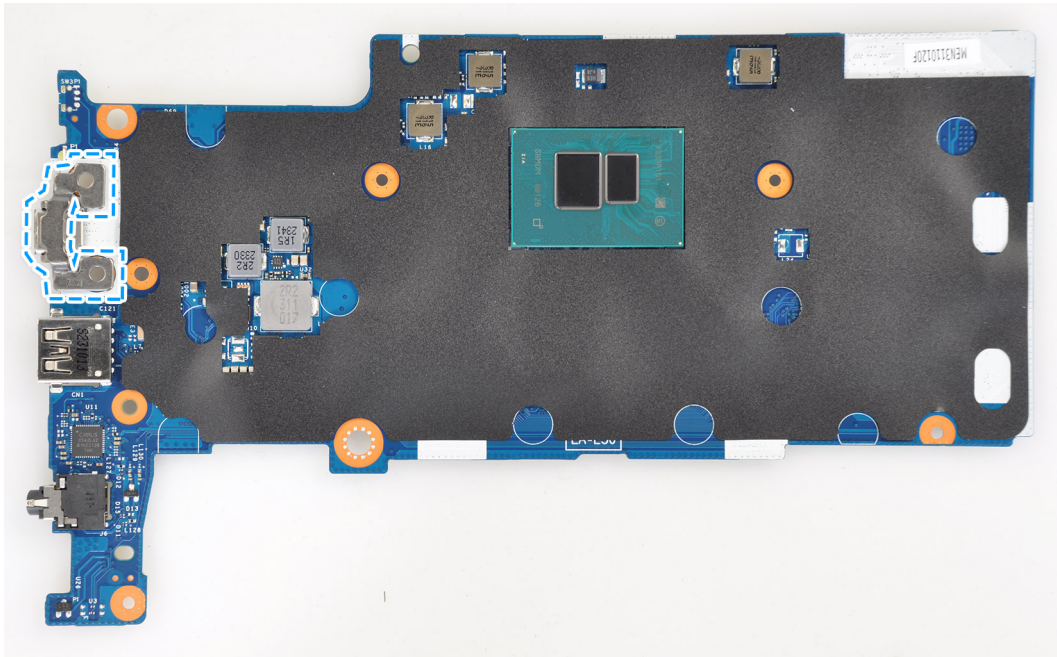


Figure 39. Type-C brackets not to be removed

13. Carefully lift and remove the system board from the left side of the palm-rest assembly.

NOTE: Lifting the system board from another side can damage components that are connected to the palm-rest.

NOTE: A thermal pad is adhered to the palm-rest underneath the system board. If the thermal pad gets detached from the palm rest during any replacement procedure, readhere it back onto the compartment on the palm-rest.

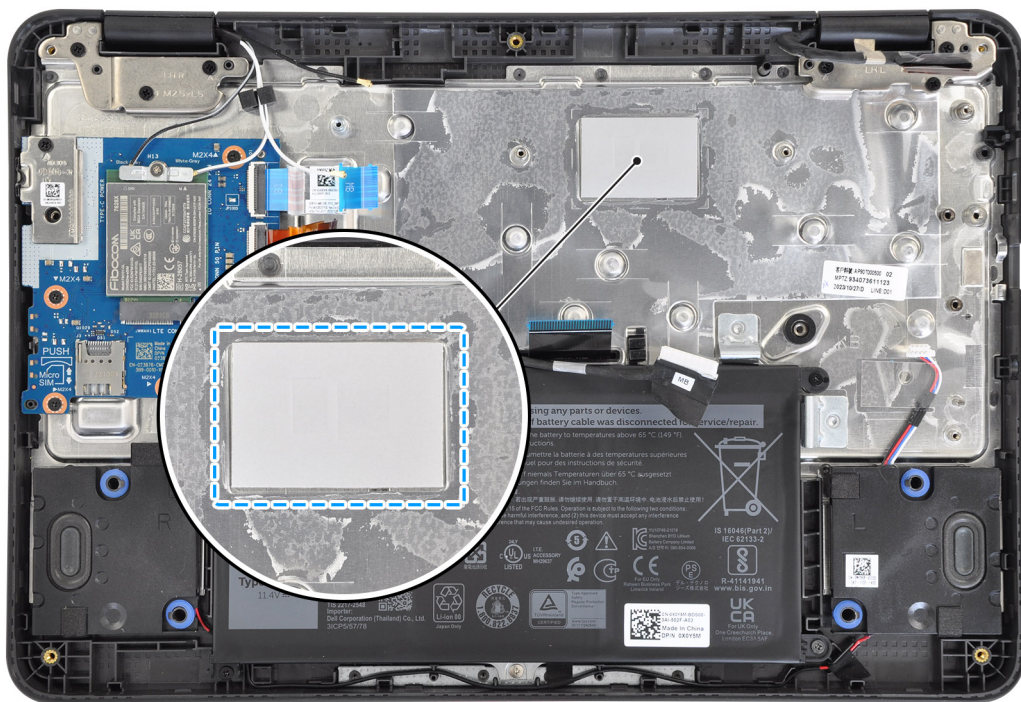


Figure 40. Thermal pad

Installing the system board

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the connectors on your system board.

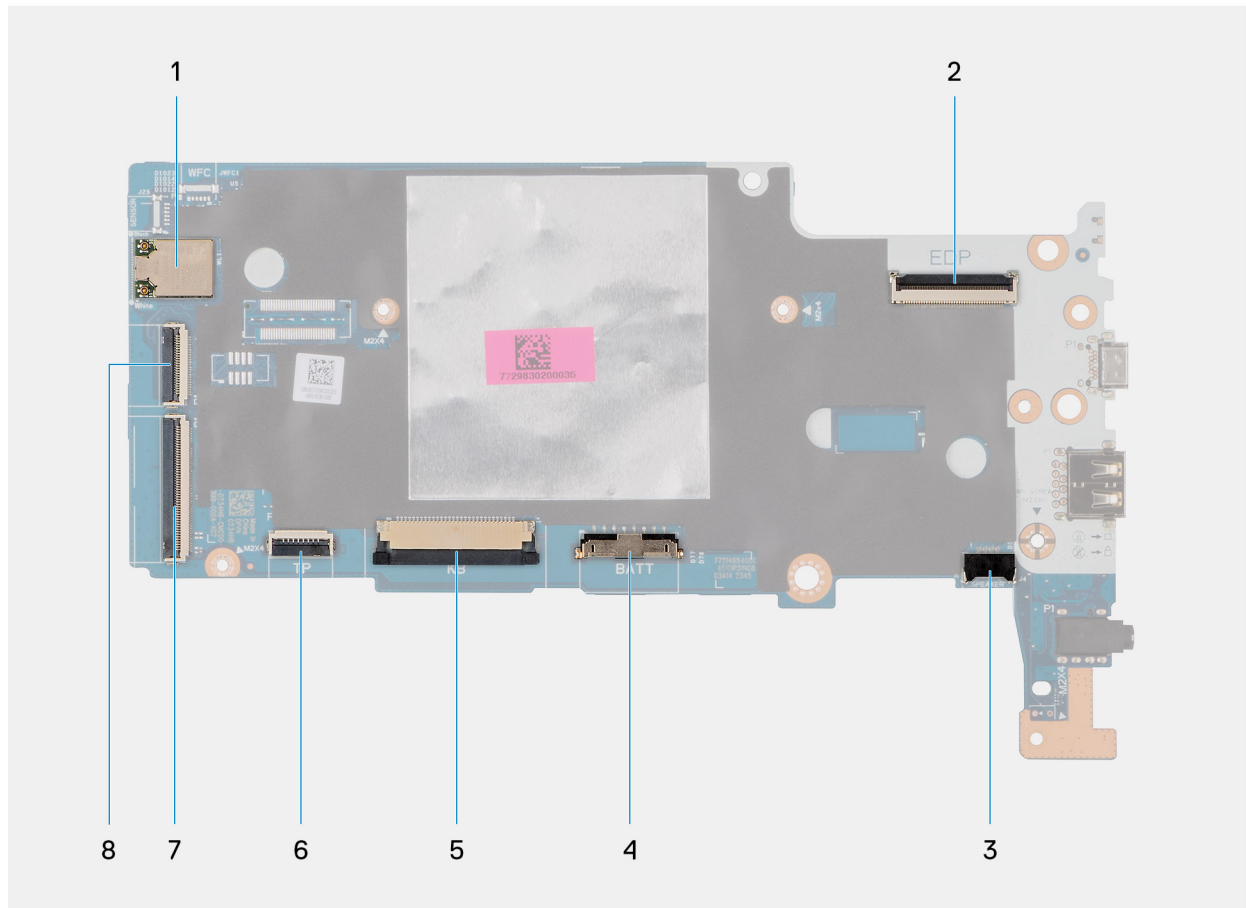


Figure 41. System board connectors

1. WLAN card (WL1) connector
2. Display cable (EDP) connector
3. Speaker cable (SPEAKER) connector
4. Battery cable (BATT) connector
5. Keyboard cable (KB) connector
6. Touchpad cable (TP) connector
7. 50-pin I/O board cable connector
8. 24-pin I/O board cable connector

The following images indicate the location of the system board and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.

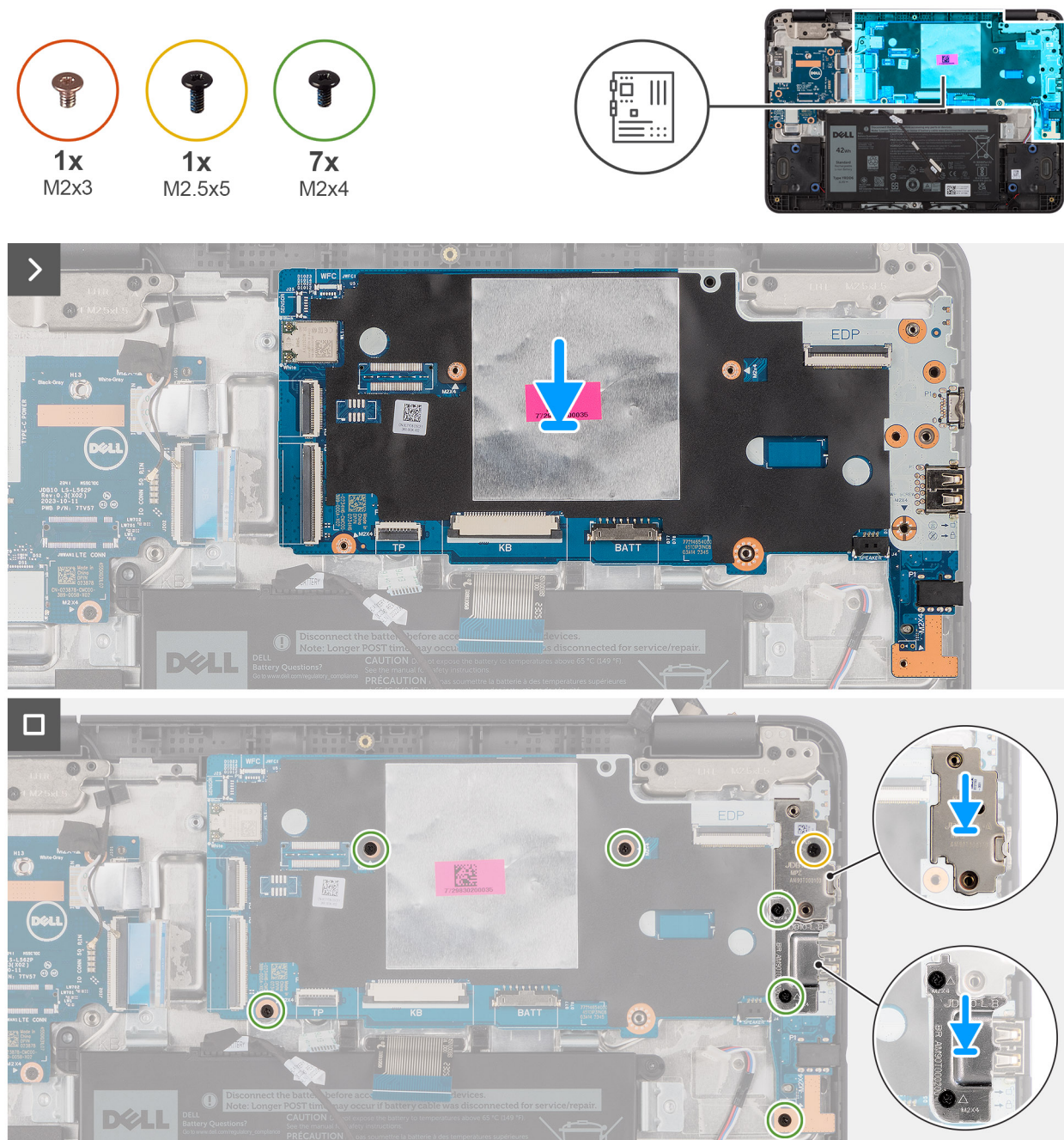


Figure 42. Installing the system board

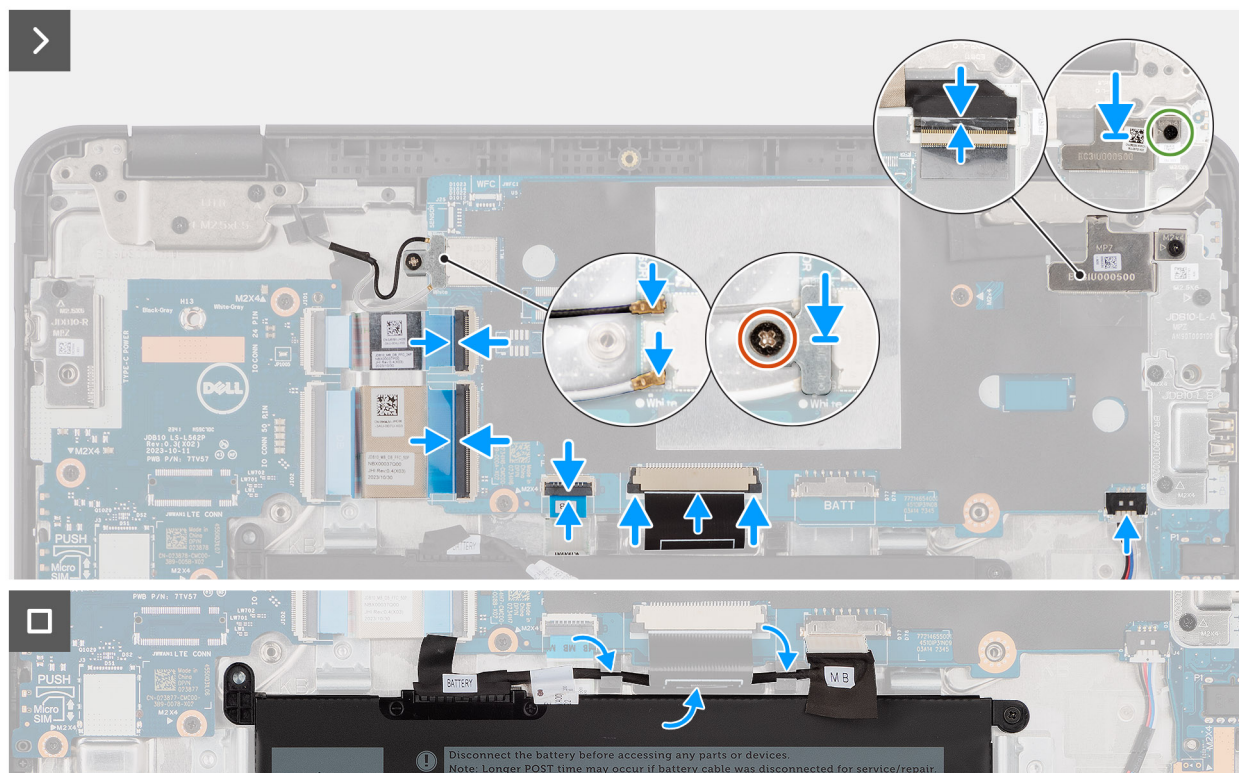


Figure 43. Installing the system board

NOTE: If the thermal pad on the palm-rest underneath the system board gets detached, adhere it back on the palm-rest.

Steps

1. Place the system board on the palm-rest assembly.
2. Align the screw holes on the system board with the screw holes on the palm-rest assembly.
3. Replace the four (M2x4) screws to secure the system board to the palm-rest assembly.
4. Align and place the bottom-left I/O bracket on the palm-rest assembly.
5. Replace the two (M2x4) screws to secure the bottom-left I/O bracket in place.
6. Align and place the top-left I/O bracket on the palm-rest assembly.
7. Replace the (M2.5x5) screw to secure the top-left I/O bracket in place.
8. Connect the following cables on the system board:
 - a. display cable (EDP)
 - b. speaker cable (SPEAKER)
 - c. touchpad cable (TP)
 - d. keyboard cable (KB)
 - e. 50-pin I/O-board cable (for models shipped with an I/O board)
 - f. 24-pin I/O-board cable (for models shipped with an I/O board)
9. Align and place the display-cable bracket over the display-cable connector on the system board.
10. Replace the (M2x4) screw to secure the display-cable bracket on the system board.
11. Connect the WLAN antenna cables to the connectors on the WLAN card module.
12. Replace the WLAN card bracket on the WLAN card module to secure the two antenna cables.
13. Replace the (M2x3) screw to secure the WLAN card bracket to the WLAN card module on the system board.
14. Route the battery cable through the routing channels between the system board and battery.

Next steps

1. Install the [base cover](#).
2. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Display assembly

Removing the display assembly

Prerequisites

- 1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
- 2. Remove the [base cover](#).
- 3. Remove the [WWAN card](#)(for computers that are shipped with WWAN card).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the display assembly and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.

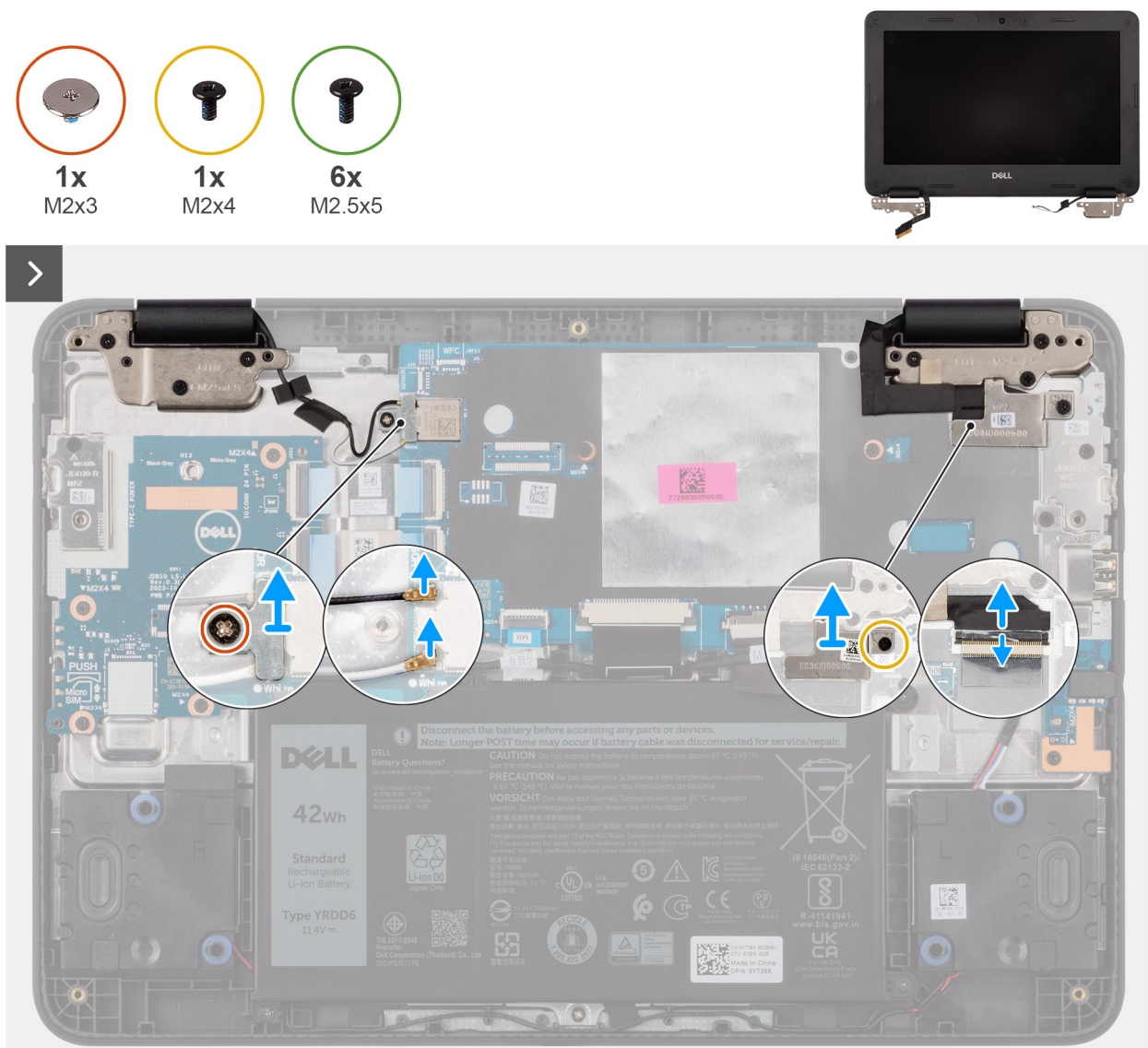


Figure 44. Removing the display assembly



Figure 45. Removing the display assembly



Figure 46. Display assembly

Steps

1. Remove the (M2x3) screw that secures the WLAN card bracket to the WLAN card module on the system board.
2. Remove the WLAN card bracket from the WLAN card module that secures the two antenna cables.
3. Disconnect the WLAN antenna cables from the connectors on the WLAN card module.
4. Unroute the WLAN antenna cables from the routing guides in the palm-rest assembly.
5. Remove the screw (M2x4) that secures the display-cable bracket to the system board.
6. Remove the display-cable bracket from the system board.
7. Peel the conductive tape that secures the display cable on the display hinges.
8. Disconnect and peel back the display cable from the connector (EDP) on the system board.
9. Open the display assembly at an angle of 90 degrees and place the computer on the edge of a flat surface such that the display assembly extends below the edge of the surface.
10. Remove the six (M2.5x5) screws that secure the display assembly in place.
11. Remove the display assembly off the palm-rest assembly.

Installing the display assembly

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the display assembly and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.



Figure 47. Installing the display assembly



Figure 48. Installing the display assembly

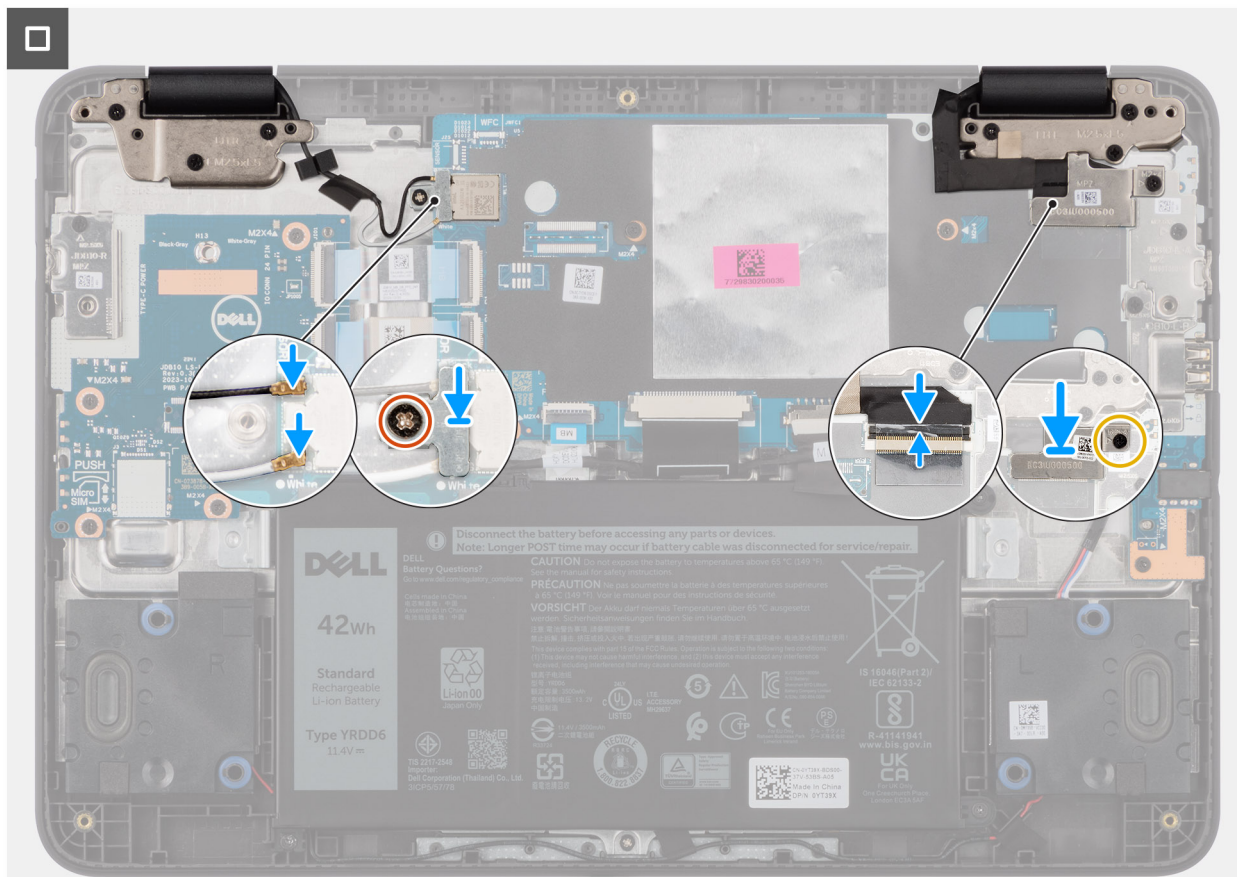


Figure 49. Installing the display assembly

Steps

1. Place the palm-rest assembly on a flat surface.
2. Align the display assembly such that the screw holes on the display hinges align with the screw holes on the palm-rest assembly.
3. Replace the six (M2.5x5) screws to secure the display assembly to the palm-rest assembly.
4. Adhere the display cable on the system board.
5. Connect the display cable to the connector (EDP) on the system board.
6. Adhere the conductive tape to secure the display cable to the display hinges.
7. Align and place the display-cable bracket on the system board.
8. Replace the screw (M2x4) to secure the display-cable bracket on the system board.
9. Route the WLAN antenna cables through the routing guides on the palm-rest assembly.
10. Connect the WLAN antenna cables to the connectors on the WLAN card module.

NOTE: For computers shipped with WLAN capabilities, route both WLAN antenna cables underneath the tab on the right display hinge, then into the rubber cable holder.

11. Align and place the WLAN card bracket on the WLAN card module to secure the two antenna cables.
12. Replace the (M2x3) screw to secure the WLAN card bracket to the WLAN card module on the system board.

Next steps

1. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with WWAN card).
2. Install the [base cover](#).
3. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Display bezel

Removing the display bezel

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Remove the [display assembly](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the display bezel and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.



Figure 50. Removing the display bezel

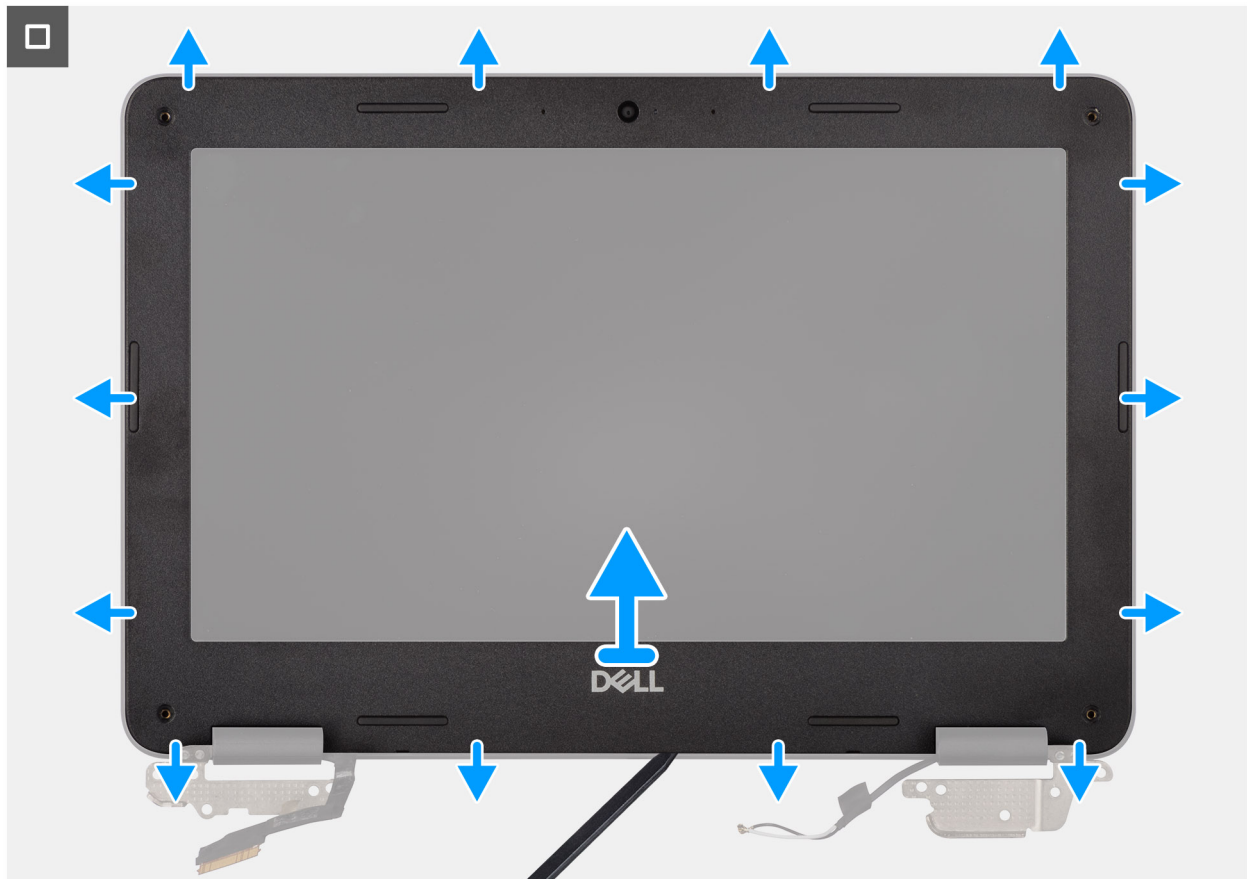


Figure 51. Removing the display bezel

Steps

1. Using a plastic scribe, peel the stickers that cover the display bezel screws.

NOTE: A new set of stickers is included with a replacement display bezel. When replacing the new display bezel, adhere the new stickers over the screws once the screws have been secured.

NOTE: A blade or a plastic scribe can be used to peel the display bezel stickers.



Figure 52. Peel the four bezel stickers

2. Remove the four (M2.5x3.8) screws that secure the display bezel to the display assembly.
3. Using a plastic scribe, carefully pry open the two recesses along the bottom side of the display bezel near the hinge caps.



Figure 53. Pry the display bezel from the two recesses near the hinge caps

4. Using a plastic scribe, continue to pry open the outside edges at the bottom side of the display bezel.
i NOTE: Carefully pry the display bezel as peeling the adhesive on the display bezel can damage the display panel.
5. Pry open both the hinge caps.



Figure 54. Prying the display bezel at bottom edges

6. Pry open the outside edges of the left, right, and top sides of the display bezel.



Figure 55. Prying the display bezel from the left and right sides



Figure 56. Prying the display bezel from the top side

7. Remove the display bezel from the display assembly.



Figure 57. Remove the display bezel

Installing the display bezel

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the display bezel and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.



4x
M2.5x3.8

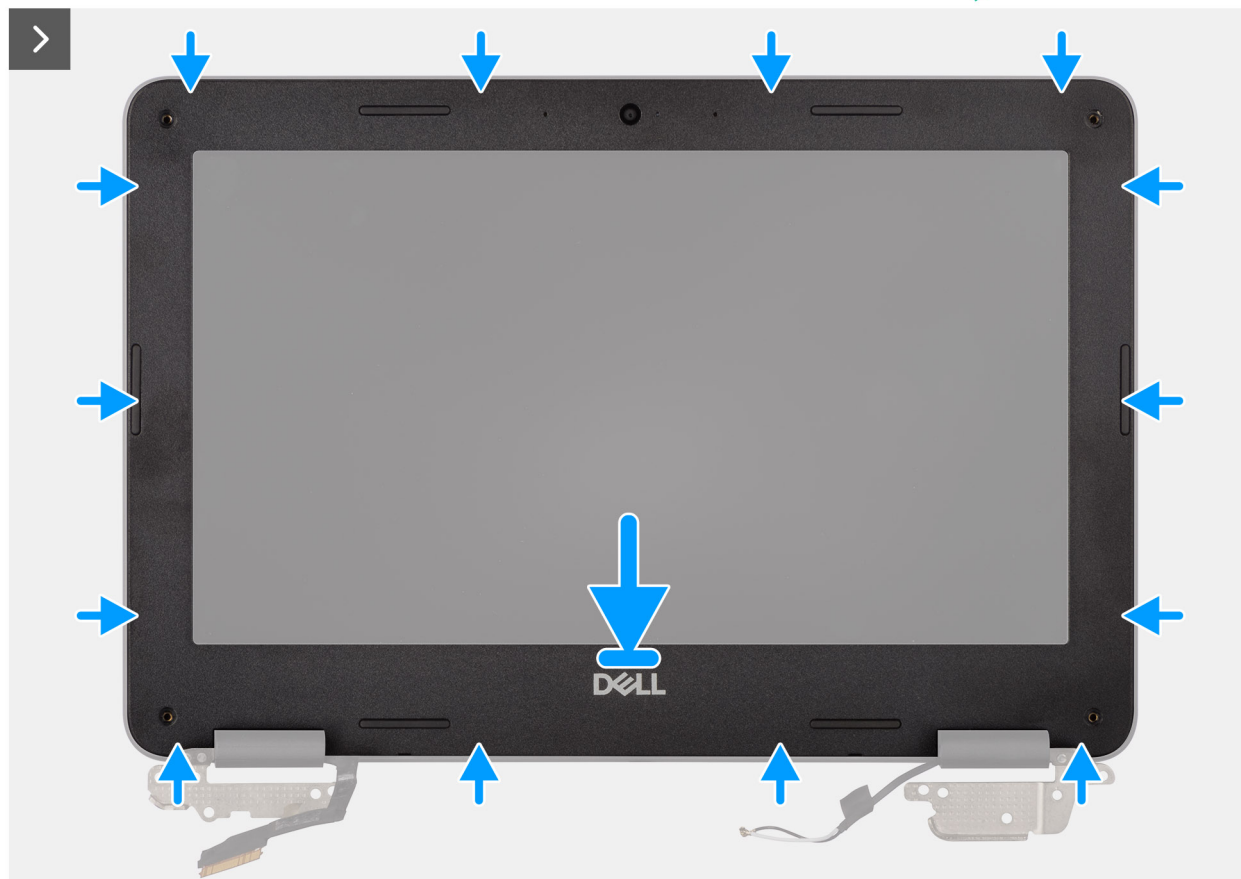


Figure 58. Installing the display bezel



Figure 59. Installing the display bezel

Steps

1. Align and place the display bezel on the display assembly.
2. Starting from the top corner, press on the display bezel and work around the entire bezel until it clicks onto the display assembly.
3. Press both the hinge caps of the display bezel until it clicks into place.
4. Replace the four (M2.5x3.8) screws to secure the display bezel to the display assembly.
5. Adhere the stickers on the screws that secure the display bezel.

NOTE: A new set of stickers is included with the replacement display bezel. When replacing the new display bezel, adhere the new stickers over the screws once the screws have been secured.

Next steps

1. Install the [display assembly](#).
2. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
3. Install the [base cover](#).
4. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Display panel

Removing the display panel

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).

2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Remove the [display assembly](#).
5. Remove the [display bezel](#).

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the display panel and provide a visual representation of the removal procedure.



Figure 60. Removing the display panel

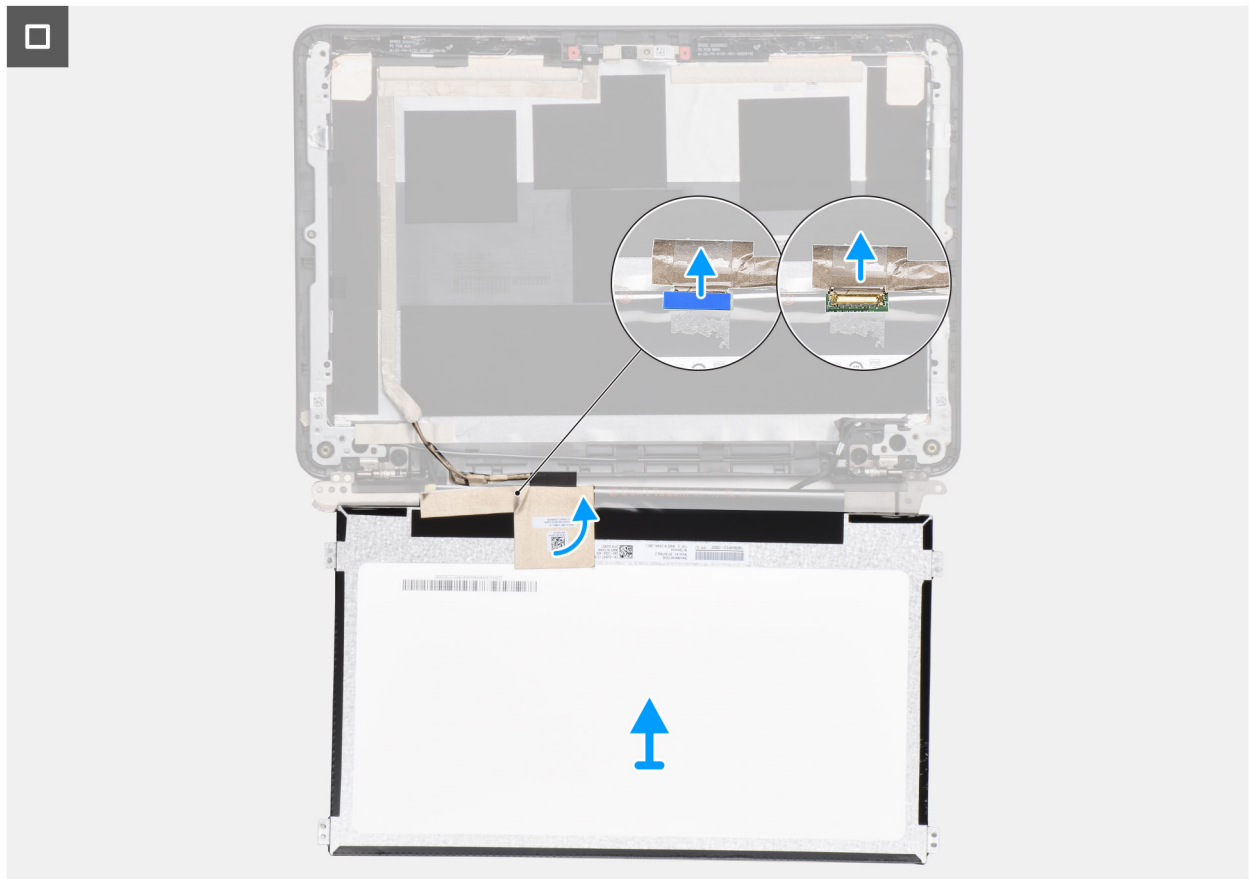


Figure 61. Removing the display panel



Figure 62. Display panel

Steps

1. Peel the conductive tape that secures the display panel in place at the bottom-left side of the display panel.
2. Remove the four (M2x3) screws that secure the display panel to the display assembly.
3. Carefully flip the display panel to access the display cable.
4. Peel back the conductive tape that secures the display cable connector.
5. Peel the transparent tape covering the display cable connector.
6. Peel and remove the rubber spacer covering the display cable.
7. Disconnect the display cable from the back of the display panel.
8. Remove the display panel from the display assembly.

Installing the display panel

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following images indicate the location of the display panel and provide a visual representation of the installation procedure.



Figure 63. Installing the display panel



4x
M2x3

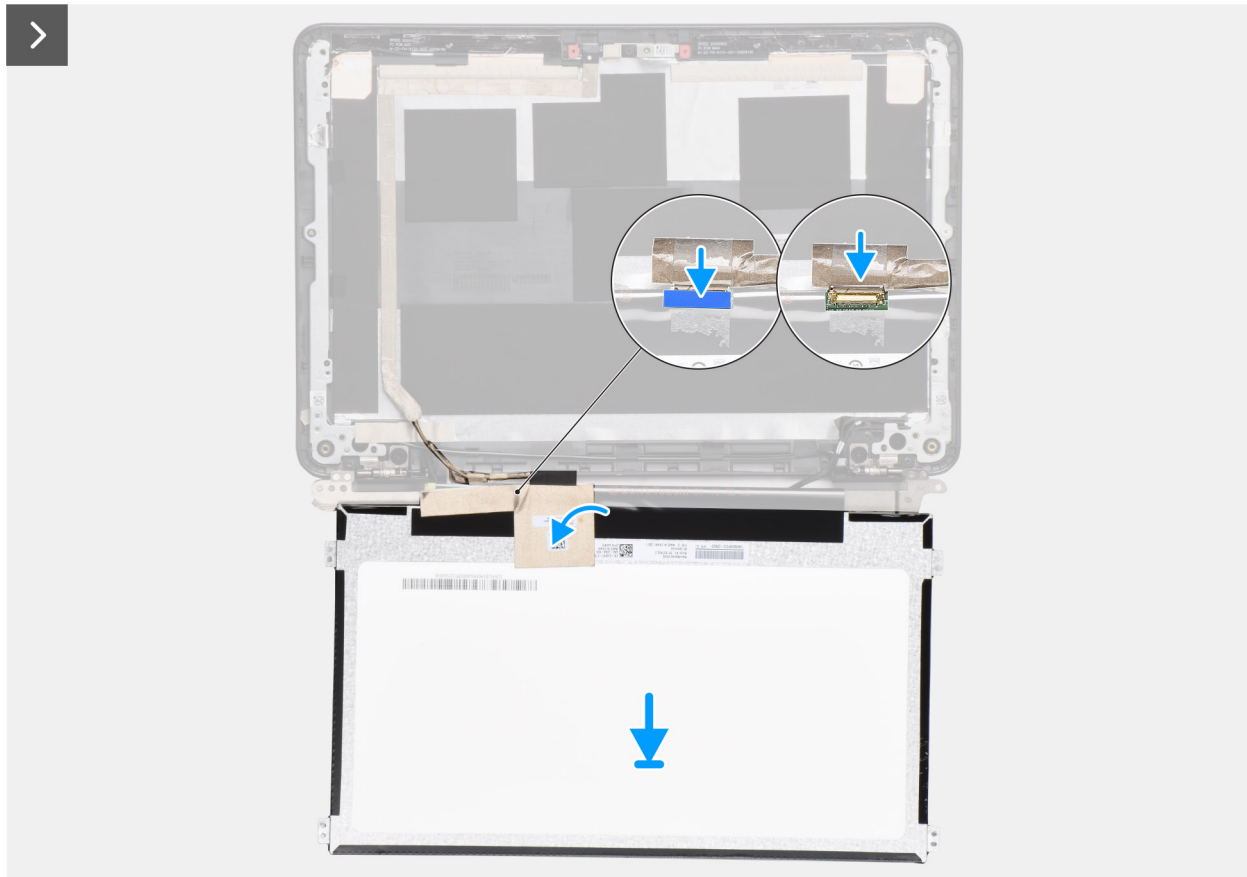
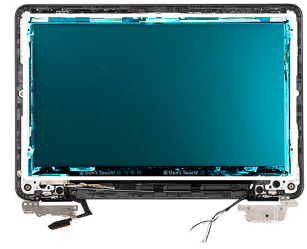


Figure 64. Installing the display panel



Figure 65. Installing the display panel

Steps

1. Connect the display cable to the connector on the back of the display panel.
2. Adhere the rubber spacer on the display cable.
3. Adhere the transparent tape on the display cable connector.
4. Adhere the conductive tape to secure the display cable connector.
5. Carefully flip back the display panel.
6. Replace the four (M2x3) screws to secure the display panel to the display assembly.
7. Adhere the conductive tape to secure the display panel at the bottom-left side of the display panel.

Next steps

1. Install the [display bezel](#).
2. Install the [display assembly](#).
3. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Install the [base cover](#).
5. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Front-facing camera

Removing the front-facing camera

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).

3. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Remove the [display assembly](#).
5. Remove the [display bezel](#).

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the front-facing camera and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.

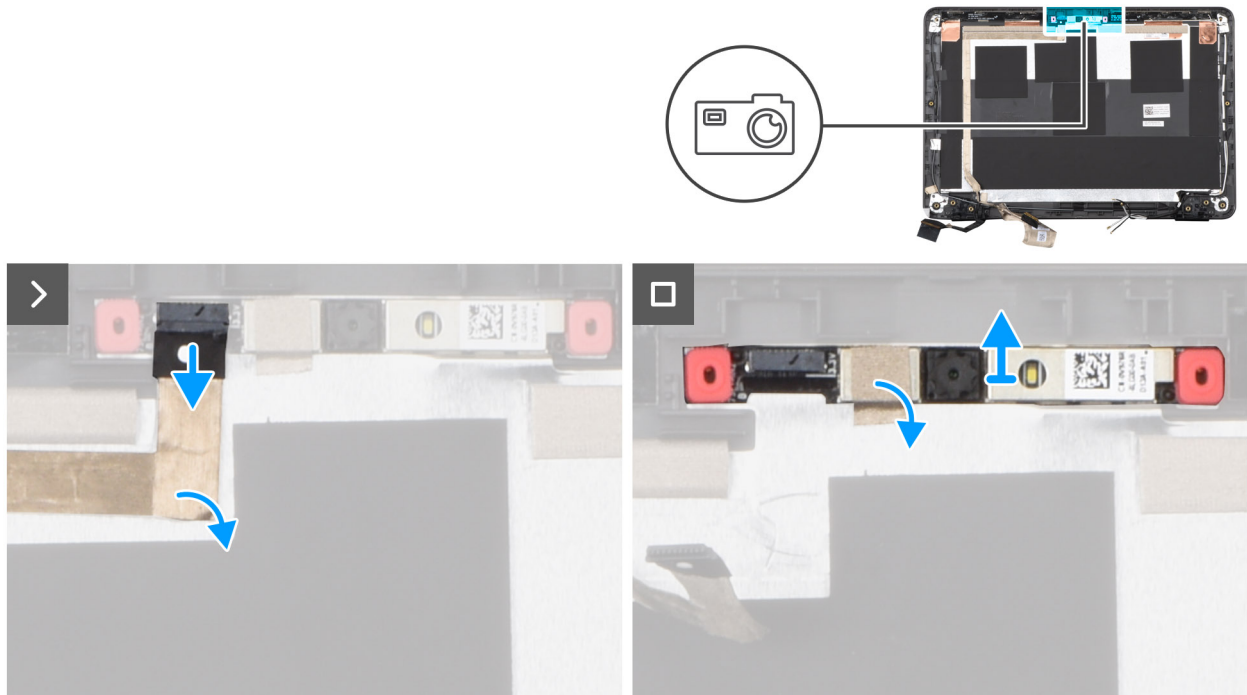


Figure 66. Removing the front-facing camera

Steps

1. Disconnect the camera cable from the connector on the camera module.
2. Peel the foil tape that secures the camera module.
3. Using a plastic scribe, carefully pry up the camera from the top starting from the location marked by arrows.
4. Remove the camera module from the display assembly.

Installing the front-facing camera

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the front-facing camera and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.

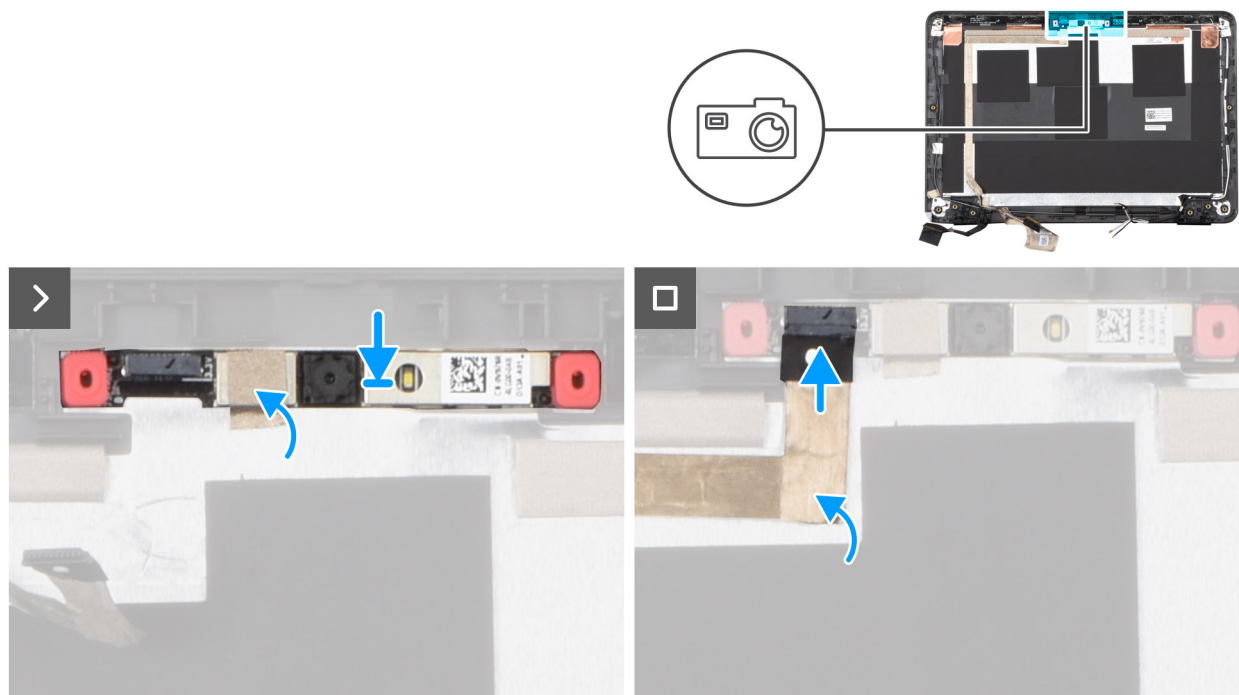


Figure 67. Installing the front-facing camera

Steps

1. Align and place the camera module into the slot on the display assembly.
2. Gently press the camera module until it clicks into place.
3. Adhere the foil tape to secure the camera module.
4. Connect the camera cable to the connector on the camera module.

Next steps

1. Install the [display bezel](#).
2. Install the [display assembly](#).
3. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Install the [base cover](#).
5. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Display hinges

Removing the display hinges

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Remove the [display assembly](#).
5. Remove the [display bezel](#).
6. Remove the [display panel](#).

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the display hinges and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.

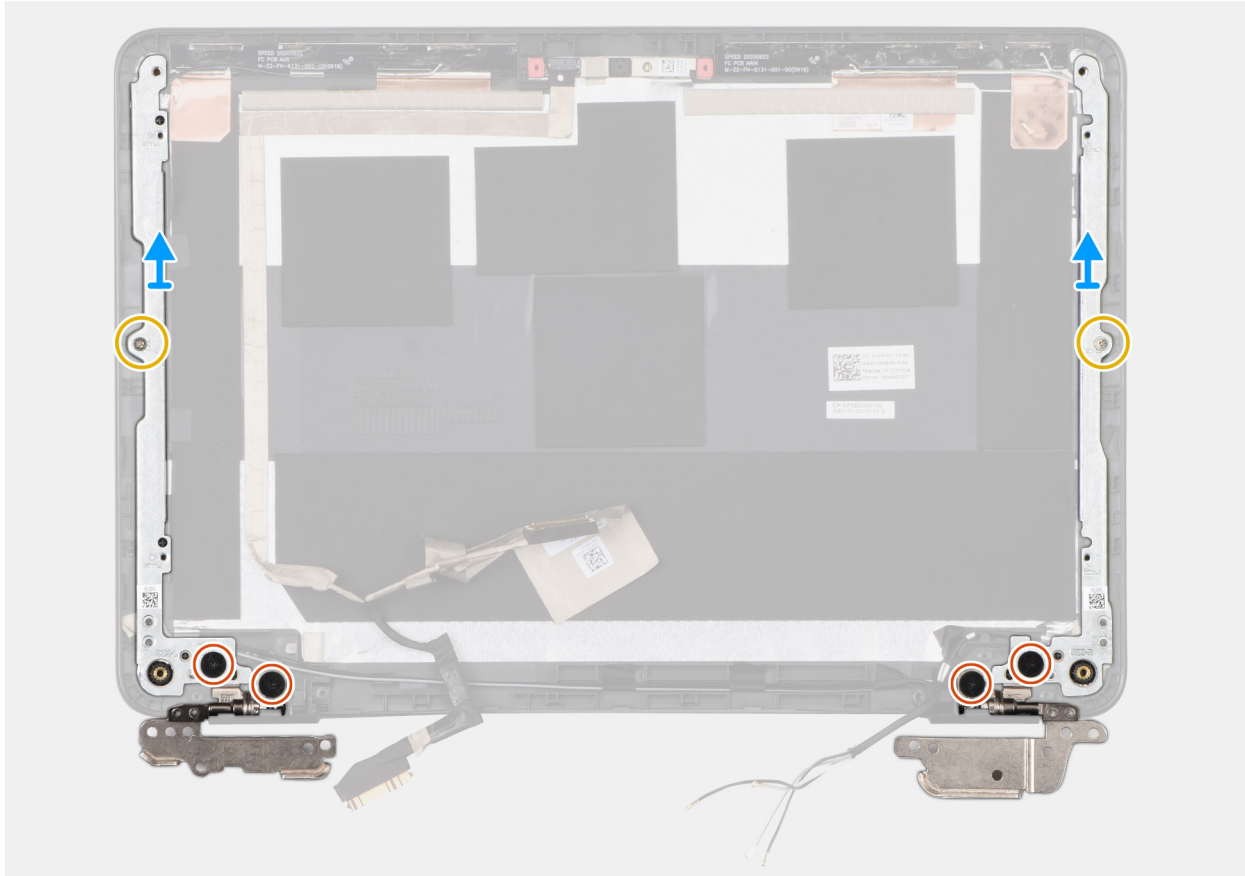
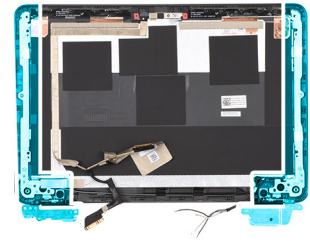
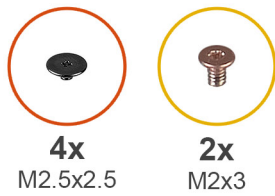


Figure 68. Removing the display hinges

Steps

1. Peel back the conductive tape that secures the display cable to the left-display hinge.
2. Remove the two (M2x3) screws and the four (M2.5x2.5) screws that secure the display hinges to the display back-cover.
3. Remove the display hinges from the display back-cover.

Installing the display hinges

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the display hinges and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.

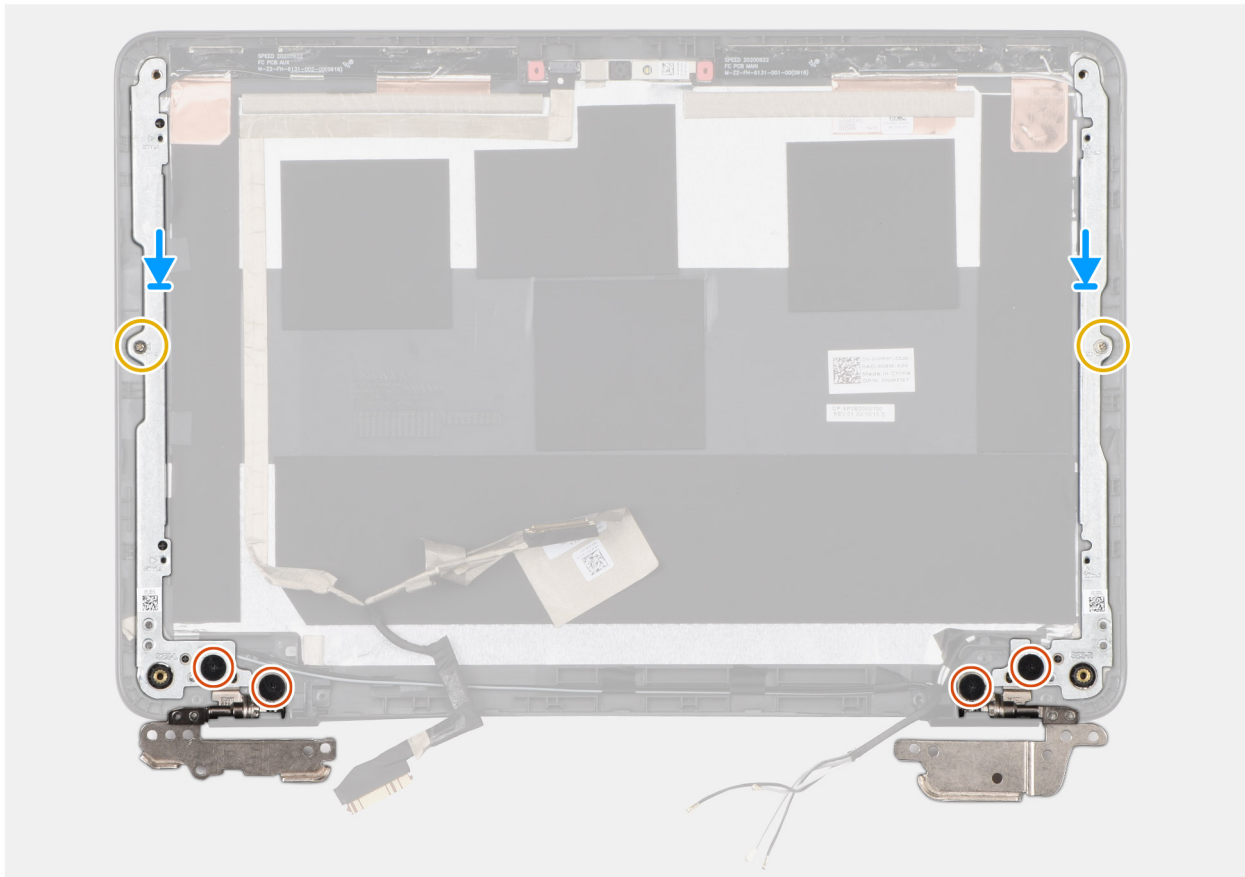
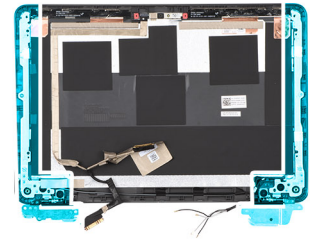
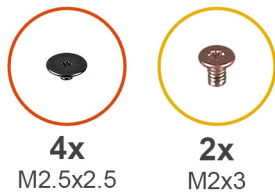


Figure 69. Installing the display hinges

Steps

1. Align the screw holes on the display hinges with the screw holes on the display back-cover.
2. Replace the two (M2x3) screws and the four (M2.5x2.5) screws to secure the display hinges to the display back-cover.
3. Adhere the conductive tape to secure the display cable on the left-display hinge.

Next steps

1. Install the [display panel](#).
2. Install the [display bezel](#).
3. Install the [display assembly](#).
4. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
5. Install the [base cover](#).
6. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Display cable

Removing the display cable

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Remove the [display assembly](#).
5. Remove the [display bezel](#).
6. Remove the [display panel](#).
7. Remove the [front-facing camera](#).

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the display cable and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.

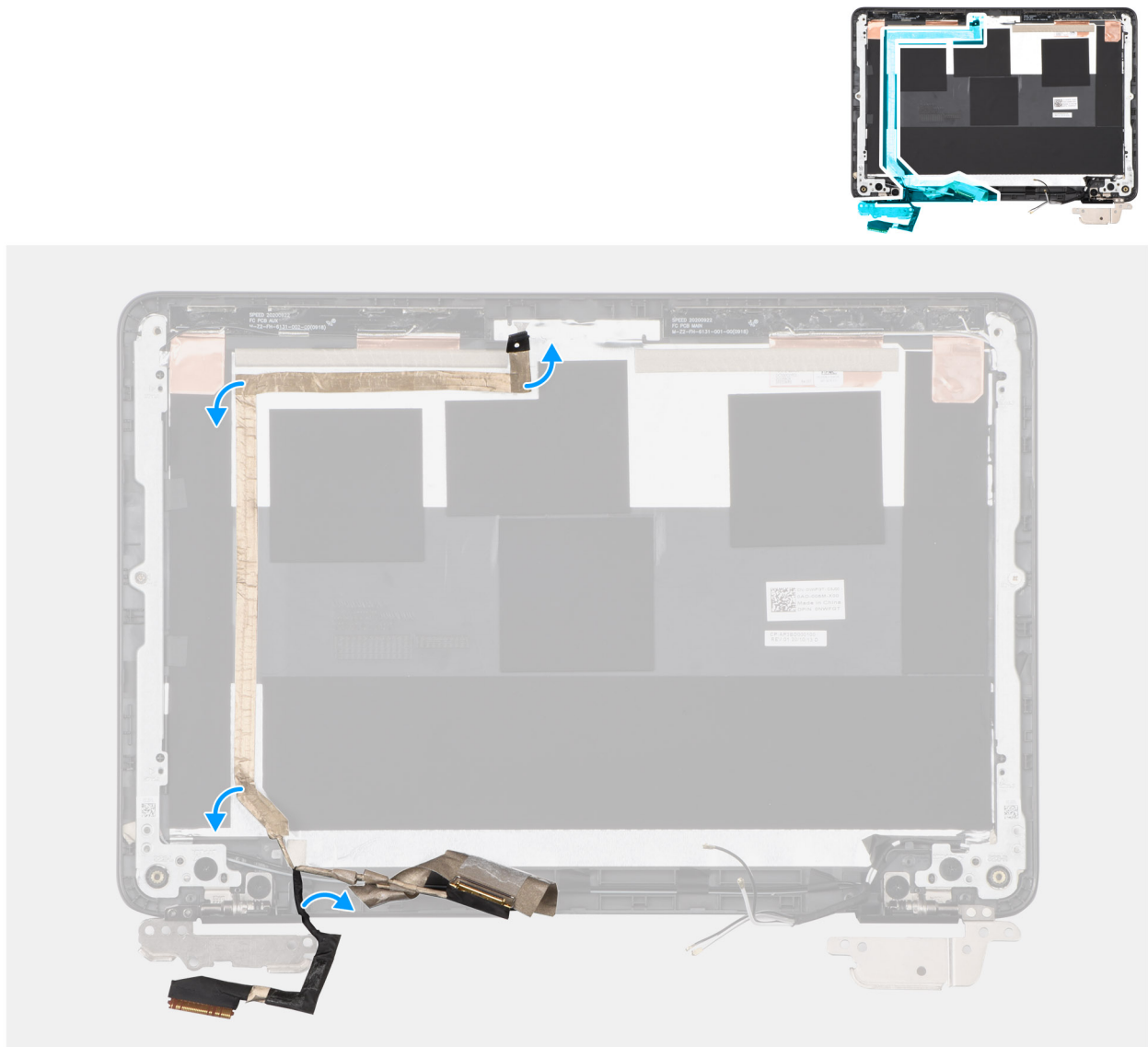


Figure 70. Removing the display cable

Steps

1. Peel back the conductive tape from the left-display hinge that secures the display cable in place.
2. Disconnect the display cable from the connector on the camera module.
3. Peel back the conductive tape that secures the display cable in place.
4. Unroute the display cable from the routing channel on the display back cover.
5. Peel the display cable from the display back cover.

Installing the display cable

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the display cable and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.

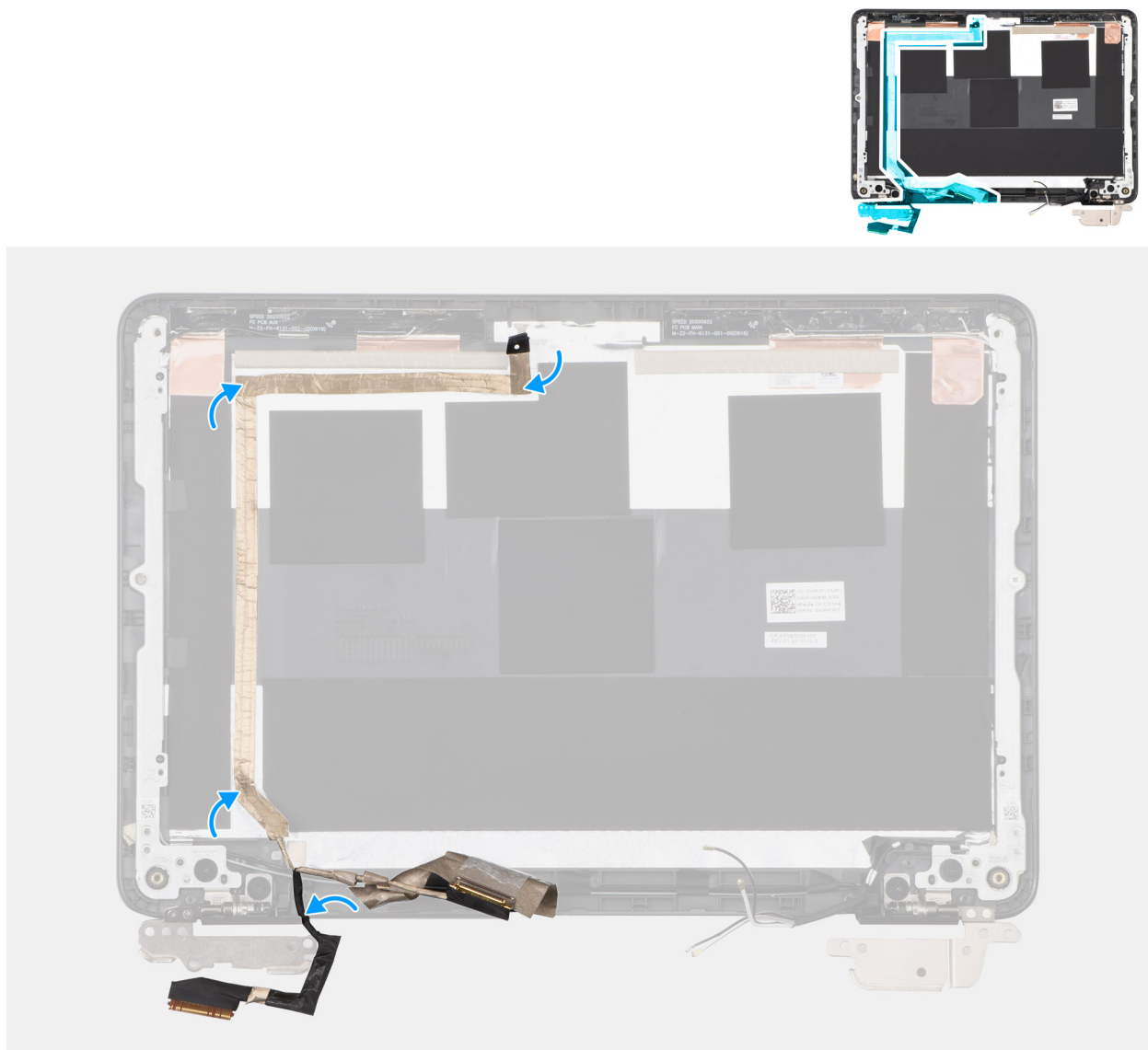


Figure 71. Installing the display cable

Steps

1. Adhere the display cable on the display back cover.

2. Route the display cable through the routing channel on the display back cover.
3. Adhere the conductive tape to secure the display cable in place.
4. Connect the display cable to the connector on the camera module.
5. Adhere the conductive tape on the left-display hinge to secure the display cable in place.

Next steps

1. Install the [front-facing camera](#).
2. Install the [display panel](#).
3. Install the [display bezel](#).
4. Install the [display assembly](#).
5. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
6. Install the [base cover](#).
7. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Display back-cover and antenna assembly

Removing the display back cover and antenna assembly

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Remove the [display assembly](#).
5. Remove the [display bezel](#).
6. Remove the [display panel](#).
7. Remove the [front-facing camera](#).
8. Remove the [display hinges](#).
9. Remove the [display cable](#).

About this task

The image below shows the display back-cover and antenna assembly after the pre-removal parts procedures have been performed for any display back-cover and antenna assembly replacement.

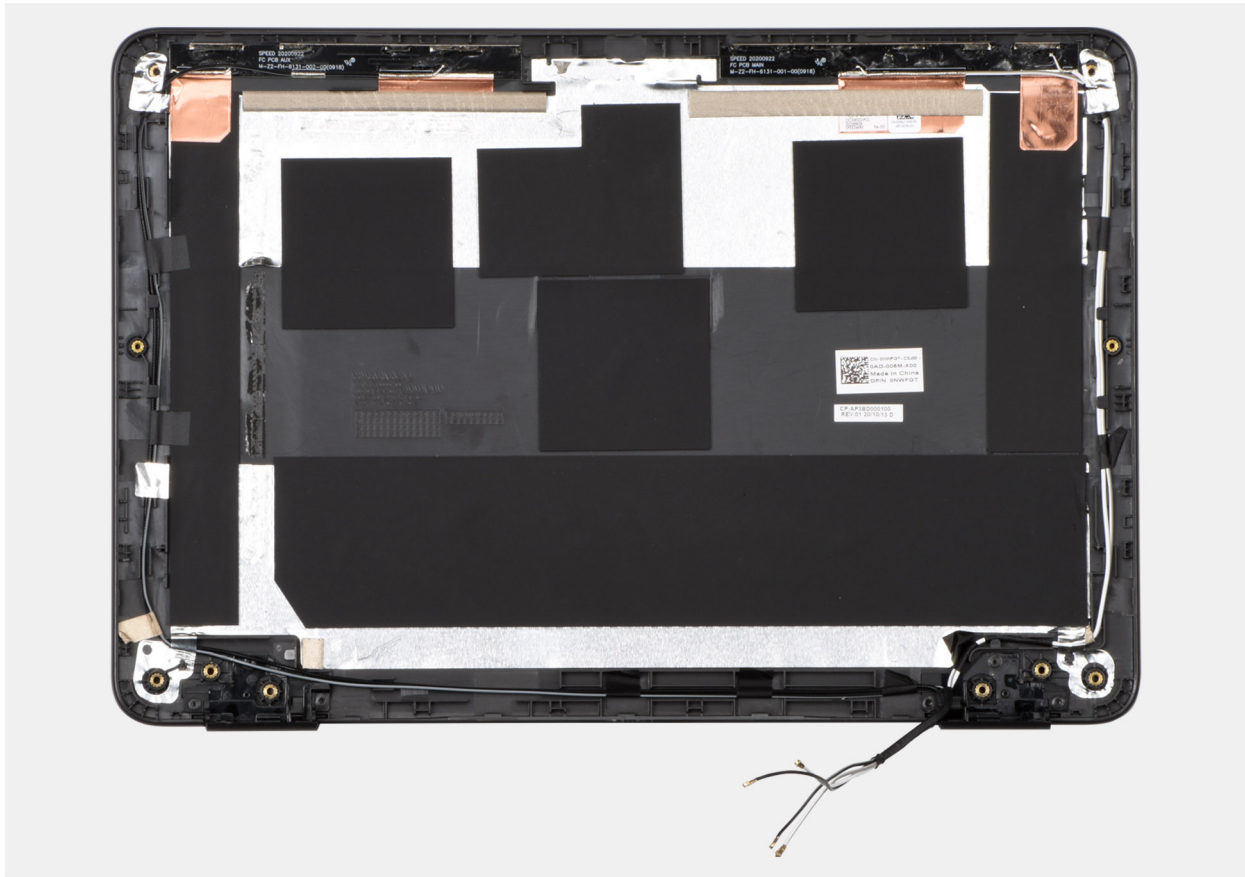


Figure 72. Removing the display back cover and antenna assembly

NOTE: The display back cover and antenna assembly cannot be further disassembled once all the components in the prerequisite steps have been removed. If the WLAN and/or WWAN antenna cables are malfunctioning and are required to be replaced, replace the entire display back cover and antenna assembly.

Steps

After performing the pre-requisites, you are left with the display back-cover and antenna assembly.

Installing the display back-cover and antenna assembly

Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the display back-cover and antenna assembly.

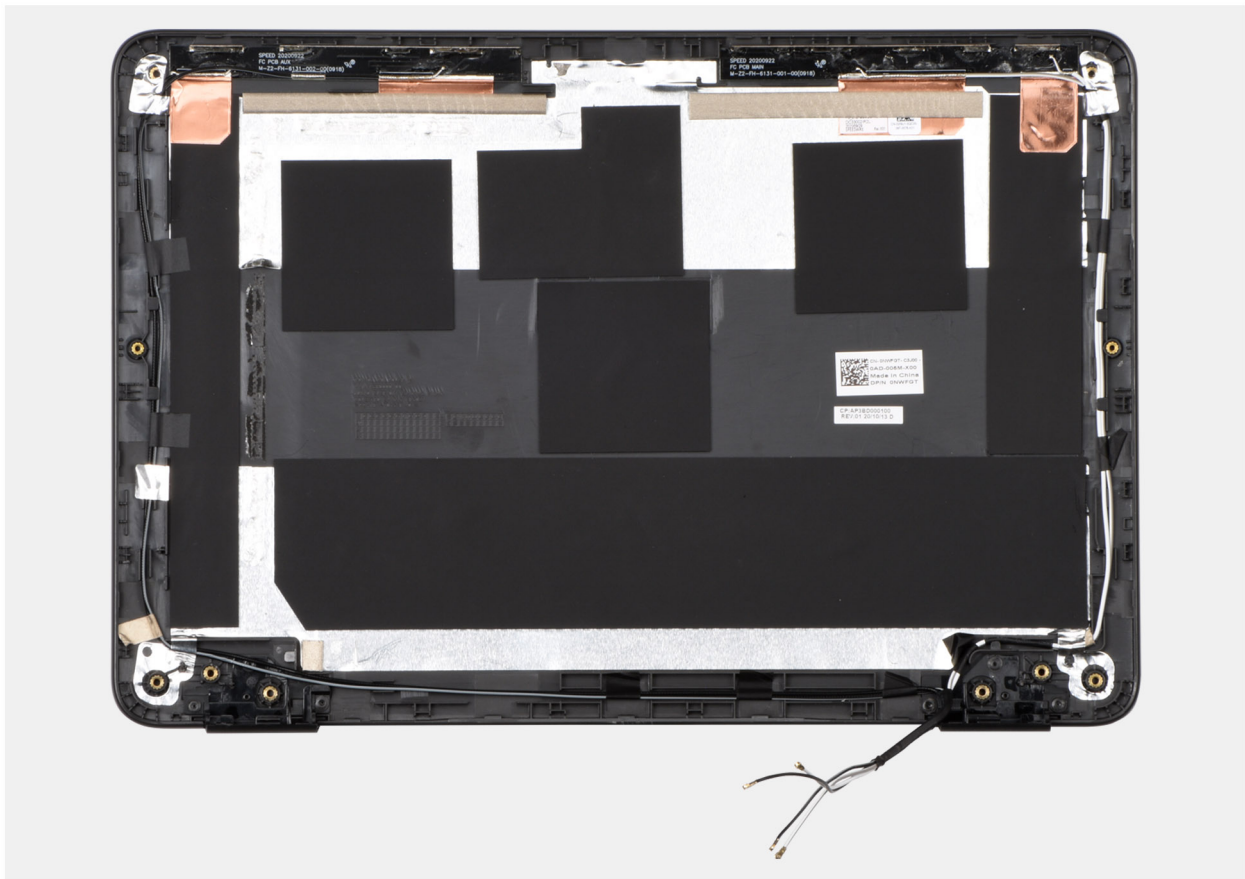


Figure 73. Installing the display back-cover and antenna assembly

Steps

Place the display back-cover and antenna assembly on a flat surface and install the components listed in **Next steps** to complete the display back-cover and antenna assembly.

Next steps

1. Install the [display cable](#).
2. Install the [display hinges](#).
3. Install the [front-facing camera](#).
4. Install the [display panel](#).
5. Install the [display bezel](#).
6. Install the [display assembly](#).
7. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
8. Install the [base cover](#).
9. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Palm-rest assembly

Removing the palm-rest assembly

Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in [Before working inside your computer](#).
2. Remove the [base cover](#).
3. Remove the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
4. Remove the [battery](#).

- ### About this task

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NOTE: The palm-rest assembly cannot be further disassembled once all the pre-removal parts procedures are completed. If the touchpad frame, touchpad support bracket, touchpad mylar, touchpad module, touchpad cable, conductive tape, or thermal pad are malfunctioning and requires to be replaced, replace the entire palm-rest assembly.

After performing the **Prerequisites**, you are left with the palm-rest assembly.

Prerequisites

About this task

The following image indicates the location of the palm-rest assembly.

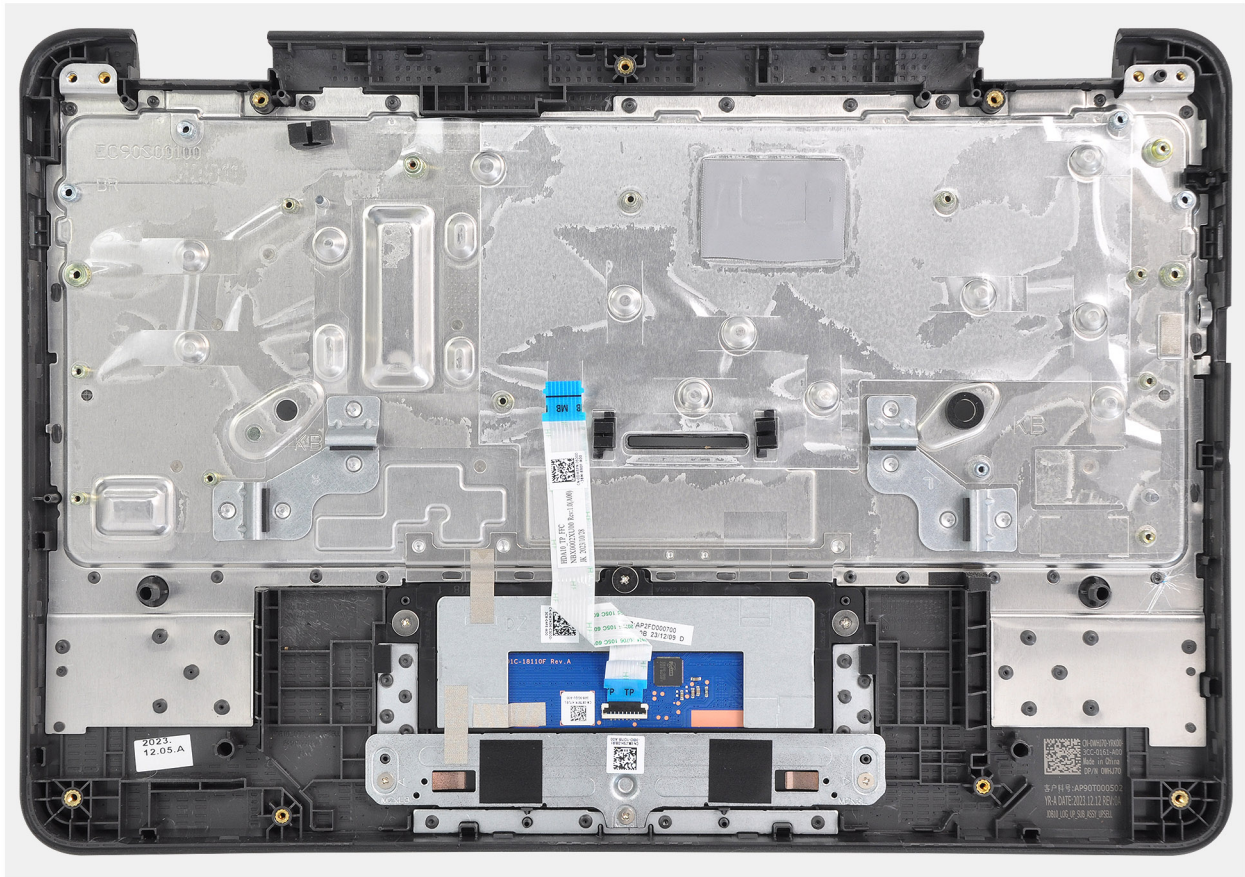


Figure 75. Installing the palm-rest assembly

NOTE: If the thermal pad on the palm-rest underneath the system board gets detached, adhere it back onto the palm-rest.

Steps

Place the palm-rest assembly on a flat surface and install the components that are listed in **Next steps** to complete the palm-rest installation.

Next steps

1. Install the [speakers](#).
2. Install the [system board](#).
3. Install the [display assembly](#).
4. Install the [I/O board](#).
5. Install the [I/O-board cables \(24-pin and 50-pin\)](#).
6. Install the [keyboard](#).
7. Install the [battery](#).
8. Install the [WWAN card](#) (for computers that are shipped with a WWAN card).
9. Install the [base cover](#).
10. Follow the procedure in [After working inside your computer](#).

Software

This chapter details the supported operating systems along with instructions on how to install the drivers.

Operating system

Your Chromebook 3120 supports the following operating systems:

ChromeOS

Drivers and downloads

When troubleshooting, downloading, or installing drivers, it is recommended that you read the [Dell Knowledge Base article Drivers and Downloads FAQs](#).

Frequently asked questions

The following are frequently asked questions:

Table 25. Frequently asked questions

Frequently asked questions	Responses
What software works on a Chromebook?	Chromebooks use apps from the Google Play Store  and the Internet. You can use these apps to work, be creative, watch movies or shows, or play games.
Where can I get more apps?	You can get more apps from the Google Play Store  or the web.
Can I use Microsoft Office software?	Chromebooks work with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, and Microsoft PowerPoint). You can find these apps on the Internet.
Where can I find my files?	All your files are stored in the Files  app. You can find the app by clicking the Launcher icon  and searching Files .
How do I transfer my local files?	You can transfer your local files using a compatible storage device. Your Chromebook works with most of the external storage devices (for example; USB drive, removable hard drives). You can also upload your files, photos, and videos to Google Drive. After setting up your Chromebook with your Google Account, you can access your files on Drive.

Table 25. Frequently asked questions (continued)

Frequently asked questions	Responses
Why does my Chromebook need my Google Account information?	You have to use your Google Account to sign in to your Chromebook. It is the same account that you use for Google services such as Gmail and Drive. Your Chromebook uses your account information to automatically sign you into apps and services.
How do I set this up for my child?	If you want to set up parental controls for your child, it is important that you sign in using your child's personal Google Account. If they do not already have one account, you can create one during the sign-in process on your Chromebook. You can add your child's school account after you complete device onboarding.

For more information about your Chromebook, see [Chromebook Help](#).

Troubleshooting

Handling swollen rechargeable Li-ion batteries

Like most laptops, Dell laptops use Lithium-ion batteries. One type of Lithium-ion battery is the rechargeable Li-ion battery. Rechargeable Li-ion batteries have increased in popularity in recent years and have become a standard in the electronics industry due to customer preferences for a slim form factor (especially with newer ultra-thin laptops) and long battery life. Inherent to rechargeable Li-ion battery technology is the potential for swelling of the battery cells.

A swollen battery may impact the performance of the laptop. To prevent possible further damage to the device enclosure or internal components leading to malfunction, discontinue the use of the laptop and discharge it by disconnecting the AC adapter and letting the battery drain.

Swollen batteries should not be used and must be replaced and disposed of properly. We recommend contacting Dell Support for options to replace a swollen battery under the terms of the applicable warranty or service contract, including options for replacement by a Dell authorized service technician.

The guidelines for handling and replacing rechargeable Li-ion batteries are as follows:

- Exercise caution when handling rechargeable Li-ion batteries.
- Discharge the battery before removing it from the laptop. To discharge the battery, unplug the AC adapter from the computer and operate the computer only on battery power. The battery is fully discharged when the computer no longer turns on when the power button is pressed.
- Do not crush, drop, mutilate, or penetrate the battery with foreign objects.
- Do not expose the battery to high temperatures, or disassemble battery packs and cells.
- Do not apply pressure to the surface of the battery.
- Do not bend the battery.
- Do not use tools of any type to pry on or against the battery.
- If a battery gets stuck in a device as a result of swelling, do not try to free it as puncturing, bending, or crushing a battery can be dangerous.
- Do not attempt to reassemble a damaged or swollen battery into a laptop.
- Swollen batteries that are covered under warranty should be returned to Dell in an approved shipping container (provided by Dell)—this is to comply with transportation regulations. Swollen batteries that are not covered under warranty should be disposed of at an approved recycling center. Contact Dell Support at [Dell Support Site](#) for assistance and further instructions.
- Using a non-Dell or incompatible battery may increase the risk of fire or explosion. Replace the battery only with a compatible battery purchased from Dell that is designed to work with your Dell computer. Do not use a battery from other computers with your computer. Always purchase genuine batteries from [Dell Site](#) or otherwise directly from Dell.

Rechargeable Li-ion batteries can swell for various reasons such as age, number of charge cycles, or exposure to high heat. For more information about how to improve the performance and lifespan of the laptop battery and to minimize the possibility of occurrence of the issue, search Dell laptop battery at [Dell Support Site](#).

Locating the Service Tag or Express Service Code of your Dell computer

Your Dell computer is uniquely identified with a Service Tag or Express Service Code. To view relevant support resources for your Dell computer, we recommend entering the Service Tag or Express Service Code at [Dell Support Site](#).

For more information about how to find the Service Tag for your computer, see [Instructions on how to find your Service Tag or Serial Number](#).

Chromebook storage

Overview

Dell Technologies recommends that customers prepare their Chromebooks for long-term storage (or summer break). This best practice eliminates the possibility of battery issues when Chromebooks are put back into service.

The following are a few steps to prepare your Chromebooks for long-term storage:

1. Update to the latest version of the ChromeOS.
2. Charge your Chromebooks so that the battery is at least 80% full. This ensures that even when the battery discharges while unplugged over the summer, power is not fully depleted.
3. DO NOT physically remove the battery from the Chromebook for storage.

NOTE: Failure to follow these steps could cause your batteries to reach a critically low charge when the Chromebook is stored for long periods of time, and can result in permanent failure of the battery. Dell provides a standard 1-year warranty on batteries. Batteries are a consumable item. All batteries degrade with time and use. For more information, see <https://www.dell.com/support/>.

Battery management

Chromebook batteries, after the first power-up will slowly discharge even after the computer is turned off. If the battery is allowed to discharge below 1%, it may enter a permanent failure mode rendering it useless.

Simultaneously, do not keep Chromebooks plugged into a cart or charger if they are in storage for months. This reduces battery life and can lead to other issues. If you are storing Chromebooks for a long time, charge them to at least 80% and unplug them from a battery source.

Dell Technologies recommends that customers properly prepare their Chromebooks for long-term storage. This best practice should eliminate or reduce the possibility of premature battery failure.

Chromebook battery long-term storage - best practices

The following suggestions are provided depending on your long-term storage usage to mitigate the number of Chromebooks that need to be put into storage mode:

Classroom storage:

If the Chromebooks are being stored in the classroom such as on a cart or other storage means, if possible (depending on the age of the student), have the teacher walk through the step with the students on the last day of use. Otherwise depending on the size of the class, have the teacher or maybe a teacher's aid follow the process.

Student takes the the system home for summer break:

Provide the process to the student who will take the Chromebook home. Suggest a letter that can be sent home with the student advising of the process.

1. If the student is going to use the Chromebook over the summer, this would not be a concern.
2. If the student is going to store the Chromebook at home over the summer, it is best to be put in storage mode.

IT department storage (student turns in Chromebook):

If the students turn the Chromebook into the IT dept or lab, you could do the following to avoid additional work load on the IT staff:

1. Have the teacher assist with putting Chromebooks into storage mode before turning them in (similar to Classroom storage), or have the IT team provide steps to put the Chromebook into storage mode.
2. IT team can later press the power button to ensure it is in storage mode.

Preparing the Chromebook for long-term storage

Prerequisites

Update your Chromebook to the latest version of the ChromeOS and charge so that the battery is at least 80% full. This ensures that even when the battery discharges while unplugged over the summer, power is not fully depleted.

In order to slow the discharge rate during storage, use the same process that the factory uses before they ship devices.

 **NOTE:** DO NOT physically remove the battery from the Chromebook for storage, but instead perform the following steps:

Steps

1. Connect the device to the power adapter and power on.
2. With the power adapter connected to the device, put the device in Battery cut-off mode.
3. Press and hold the Refresh + Power keys simultaneously at least for 3 seconds.
4. While holding these keys, remove the power cable from the device, and then release the keys. The device should shut down and remain off.
5. Attempt to power the unit on using the power button.
6. If the computer does not power on, you have completed the steps and can safely store the computer.
7. If the unit powers on, repeat steps 1 to 5.
8. Store it in a cool, dry place at 25°C (78 °F).

This is the ideal way to store devices, as it reduces battery discharge to a minimal rate. It prevents constant charge or discharge from reducing the battery life and keeps the Chromebook in a stable, powered-off state.

 **NOTE:** If you cannot put your Chromebook into the battery disconnect state as described above, charge the battery to at least 80%, turn off the Chromebook, unplug it from a power source, and store it in a cool, dry place.

 **NOTE:** If combo keys do not work with your model, charging with a higher socket level is the only alternative from Google.

Getting your Chromebook ready

About this task

Perform the following steps to get your Chromebook ready for school:

Steps

1. Connect the Chromebook to a charger and a power source to get the computer out of the battery disconnect state.
2. Power up your device.
3. Connect your Chromebook to Wi-Fi and update them to the latest ChromeOS release.

 **NOTE:** This step can take time as multiple ChromeOS versions may have been released since the last time the device was updated.

Recovering the operating system

If your Chromebook operating system is malfunctioning, you can recover it by reinstalling the operating system.

To know how to recover your Chromebook operating system, see [Recover your Chromebook](#) at [Chromebook Help](#) page.

Network power cycle

About this task

If your computer is unable to access the Internet due to network connectivity issues, reset your network devices by performing the following steps:

Steps

1. Turn off the computer.
2. Turn off the modem.
 **NOTE:** Some Internet service providers (ISPs) provide a modem and router combo device.
3. Turn off the wireless router.
4. Wait for 30 seconds.
5. Turn on the wireless router.
6. Turn on the modem.
7. Turn on the computer.

Drain flea power (perform hard reset)

About this task

Flea power is the residual static electricity that remains in the computer even after it has been powered off and the battery is removed.

For your safety, and to protect the sensitive electronic components in your computer, you must drain residual flea power before removing or replacing any components in your computer.

Draining flea power, also known as performing a "hard reset," is also a common troubleshooting step if your computer does not turn on or boot into the operating system.

Perform the following steps to drain the flea power:

Steps

1. Turn off the computer.
2. Disconnect the power adapter from the computer.
3. Remove the base cover.
4. Remove the battery.



CAUTION: The battery is a Field Replaceable Unit (FRU) and the removal and installation procedures are intended for authorized service technicians only.

5. Press and hold the power button for 20 seconds to drain the flea power.
6. Install the battery.
7. Install the base cover.
8. Connect the power adapter to the computer.
9. Turn on the computer.



NOTE: For more information about performing a hard reset, go to [Dell Support Site](#). On the menu bar at the top of the Support page, select Support > Support Library. In the Search field on the Support Library page, type the keyword, topic, or model number, and then click or tap the search icon to view the related articles.

Getting help and contacting Dell

Self-help resources

You can get information and help on Dell products and services using these self-help resources:

Table 26. Self-help resources

Self-help resources	Resource location
Information about Dell products and services	Dell Site
Online help for operating system	For support on your Chromebook, see ChromeOS Support .
Access top solutions, diagnostics, drivers and downloads, and learn more about your computer through videos, manuals, and documents.	Your Dell computer is uniquely identified using a Service Tag or Express Service Code. To view relevant support resources for your Dell computer, enter the Service Tag or Express Service Code at Dell Support Site. For more information about how to find the Service Tag for your computer, see Instructions on how to find your Service Tag or Serial Number.
Dell knowledge base articles	1. Go to Dell Support Site. 2. On the menu bar at the top of the Support page, select Support > Support Library. 3. In the Search field on the Support Library page, type the keyword, topic, or model number, and then click or tap the search icon to view the related articles.

Contacting Dell

To contact Dell for sales, technical support, or customer service issues, see [Contact Support at Dell Support Site](#).

 **NOTE:** Availability of the services may vary depending on the country or region, and product.

 **NOTE:** If you do not have an active Internet connection, you can find contact information about your purchase invoice, packing slip, bill, or Dell product catalog.

Revision history

Tracks all updates that are made to the document. It typically includes the date of change, version number, and a brief description of the modification. This log helps maintain transparency, accountability, and a clear timeline of progress.

Table 27. Revision history

Revision	Date	Description
A00	03-2025	Original publish date.
A04	10-2025	Added power requirement in battery spec section.