



# Dell XPS M1730 Hard Drive Replacement

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# INTRODUCTION

## Replacing Hard Drive

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### TOOLS:

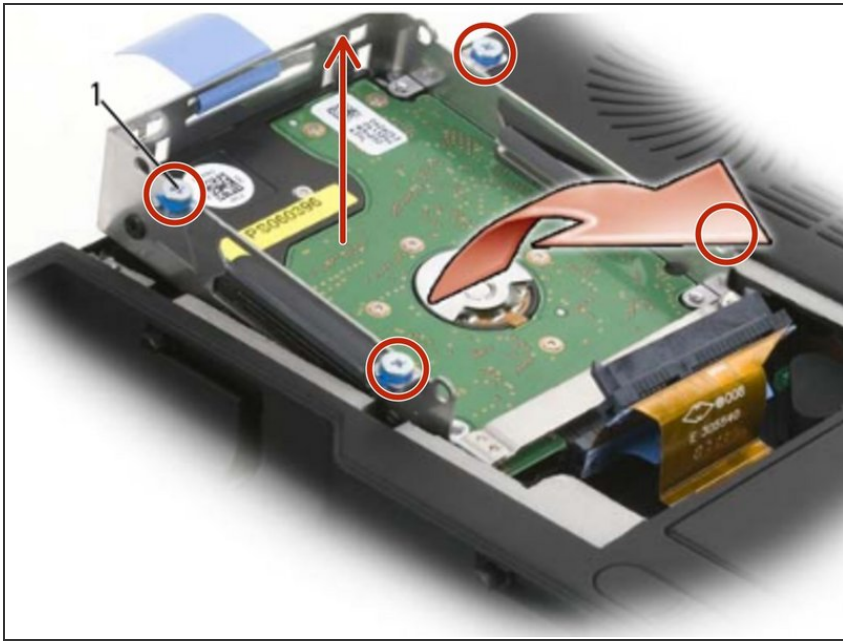
- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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## Step 1 — Remove Cover



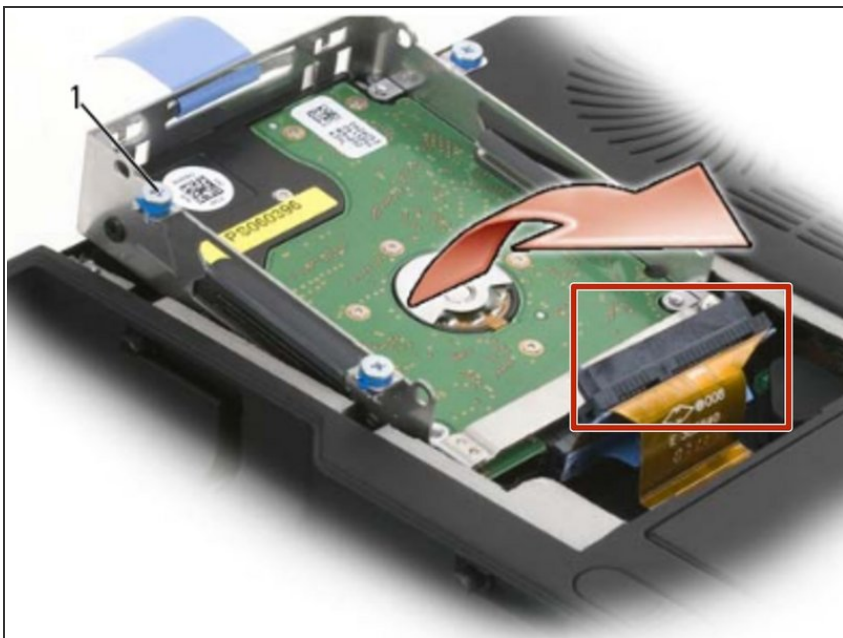
- ⚠ CAUTION:** If you remove the hard drive from the computer when the drive is hot, do not touch the metal housing of the hard drive.
- ⚠ CAUTION:** Before you begin any of the procedures in this section, follow the safety instructions in the Product Information Guide .
- ⓘ NOTICE:** To prevent data loss, turn off your computer (see "Turning Off Your Computer" on page 9) before removing the hard drive. Do not remove the hard drive while the computer is on, in standby mode, or in hibernate mode.
- ⓘ NOTICE:** Hard drives are extremely fragile. Exercise care when handling the hard drive.
- ⓘ NOTE:** Dell does not guarantee compatibility or provide support for hard drives from sources other than Dell.
- ⓘ NOTE:** If you are installing a hard drive from a source other than Dell, you need to install an operating system, drivers, and utilities on the new hard drive.
- Turn the computer over, loosen the two captive screws on the hard drive cover, and then remove the cover.

## Step 2 — Remove hard Drive From Case



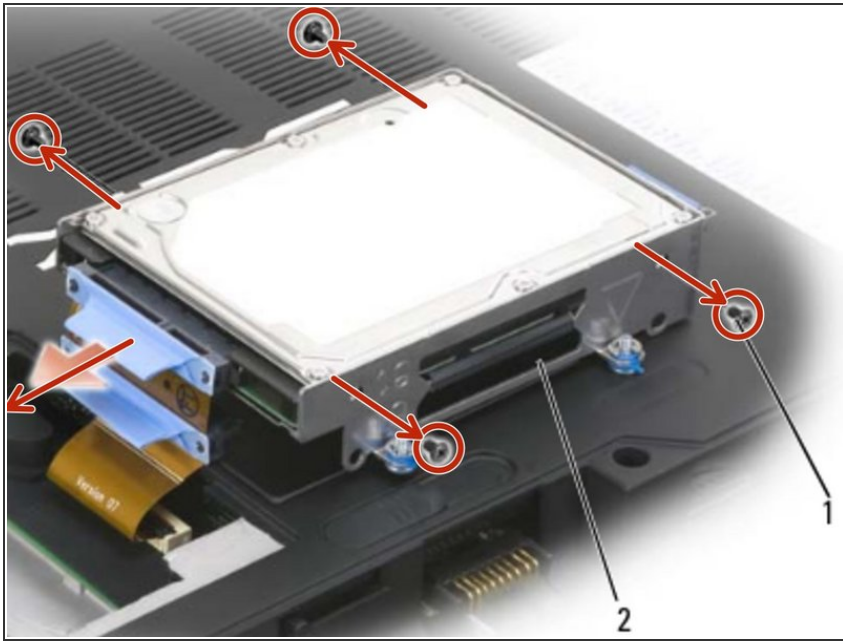
- Loosen the four captive screws on the hard drive cage and then lift the pull-tab to flip the cage towards the center of the computer so that the SATA cables and connectors are accessible.

## Step 3 — Unplug From System



- Carefully remove the SATA cables from the hard drive or drives that are installed in the cage.

## Step 4 — Remove Hard Drive From Cage



- Remove two screws on each side of the hard drive cage to free the hard drive, then lift the drive out of its tray in the cage.
- ⓘ **NOTICE:** When a hard drive is not in the computer, store it in protective anti-static packaging.

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