How to Fix Jammed Nintendo Switch ZR and ZL buttons

Jammed ZR and ZL buttons can be really annoying, yet this can quickly be solved. This guide will teach you a quick and easy way to fix your jammed buttons.

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INTRODUCTION

When playing a Nintendo Switch every button serves a specific purpose. If any of those buttons are jammed, it renders your gameplay incomplete. This can become very irritating and inconvenient, but can be quickly fixed. With a screw driver and a pair of tweezers, your jammed button problems can be fixed. This fix will provide step by step instructions on how to quickly fix you jammed ZR and ZL buttons on your Nintendo Switch controller. These buttons are located one the right and left sides of your console on the controllers. Because they are used so often, they tend to jam and wear down over time. Excessive force when using them can cause them to jam and not come back up, thus creating our problem. In order to fix these jammed ZR and ZL buttons we’re going to following 7 simple steps.

TOOLS:

- Tri-point Y00 Screwdriver (1)
- Tweezers (1)
Step 1 — How to Fix Jammed Nintendo Switch ZR and ZL buttons

- Using the Y00 Tri-Point screwdriver, remove four M1.4 x 5mm screws to loosen the hard plastic back of the remote.

Step 2

- After the screws are removed, lift the hard-plastic cover to reveal the inside of the remote and locate the ZL button.

ℹ️ The button exposed could either be the ZL or the ZR depending on which remote needs to be fixed.
Step 3

- Once the hard-plastic cover is removed, locate the ZL button inside the remote.

ℹ️ The button exposed after removing the hard-plastic cover of the remote may either be the ZR or ZL button, depending on which remote needs to be fixed.
Step 4

- Use the tweezers to lift the ZL button a little then pull upwards to get it back into place. Once it's back into place, place the hard cover back on the remote and re-screw it.

Step 5

- Click the ZL buttons a couple times to ensure that it's back in place and working.

⚠️ This may either be the ZL or ZR button depending on the remote being fixed.
After following those 7 steps, your gameplay should be able to return to it’s original state. If the other remote also has a jammed ZL or ZR button simply repeat the 7 steps:

- Flip your Nintendo Switch remote over and locate the 4 screws.
- Use your Y00 tri-point screwdriver to unscrew the back.
- Lift the hard plastic cover to expose the inside of the remote.
- Locate the ZL (or ZR) button.
- Use the tweezers to carefully lift and then push the ZL (or ZR) button up to put it back into place.

* Put the hard plastic cover back on the remote and re-screw it shut.

- Click the ZL (or ZR) button a couple of times to ensure that you’ve moved it back into place properly, then resume gameplay.