



# Mountain Bike Brake Lever Replacement

How to replace a mountain bike brake lever assembly and reconnect to the brake assembly.

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## INTRODUCTION

This guide is for those looking to replace their brake lever assembly on a mountain bike. It is a fairly simple task that does not require much prior bike knowledge. It only requires a 5mm Allen key, the lever assembly, isopropyl alcohol, and the bike.



### TOOLS:

- [5mm Allen key](#) (1)
- [Isopropyl Alcohol 70%](#) (1)



### PARTS:

- [Brake lever assembly](#) (1)
- [Brake cable](#) (1)

## Step 1 — Mountain Bike Brake Lever



- Remove the grip from the handle.
- ⓘ Do this by twisting and pulling the grip until it slides off.

## Step 2



- Using a 5mm allen key, loosen the lever assembly from the handle.
- Slide the assembly off of the handle.

### Step 3



- Take your new lever assembly and slide it onto the handle; leave it loose.

### Step 4



- Pour a light amount of isopropyl alcohol through your grip and slide it back onto the handle.

## Step 5



- Line up your lever assembly back into place.
- Tighten the screw with the allen key to secure it.

## Step 6



- Install the brake cable into the lever housing.
- Take the brake cable and feed it into the lever pull.

## Step 7



- Feed the cable into the lever assembly slot and through the barrel adjuster.
- Use the barrel adjuster to tighten the cable into place.

Now your lever assembly should be properly hooked up and ready to function! Giving the lever a couple test pulls to make sure it is applying brake pressure is recommended.