



Magic Trackpad Rubber Replacement/Reinsertion

Sometimes, a rubber foot at the bottom of a magic track pad can begin to come out of place. This guide explains how put it back into its place. The original rubber feet are not available from Apple but instead you can buy similiar parts at any tech or

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INTRODUCTION

The **magic** of the Magic Trackpad is its ability to physically click - while appearing to not have any moving parts.

The secret to the Magic Trackpad's clicking ability is in those innocuous looking round rubber feet on the bottom. They're not just there to be normal old rubber feet that merely provide grip to keep it from sliding around on your desk. And they're not entirely rubber, either. The rubber you see and feel protruding from the bottom is only a very thin and fragile sheath covering a hard plastic foot.

The feet need to be rigid: When you click the surface by pressing down on it these rubber/plastic feet are the only parts of the trackpad that ***don't move***.

This guide will explain how to re-insert one (or both) of the Magic Trackpad's rubber feet

TOOLS:

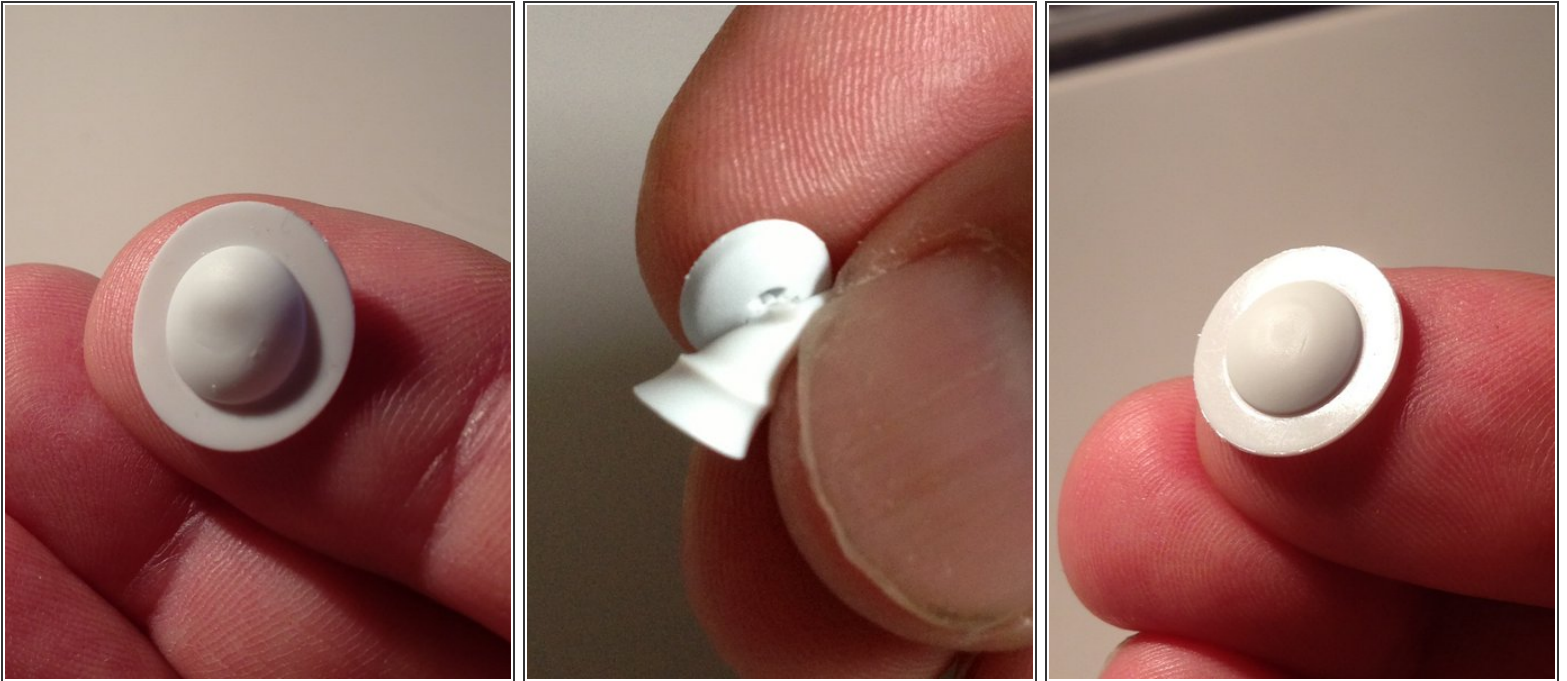
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Step 1 — rubber feet



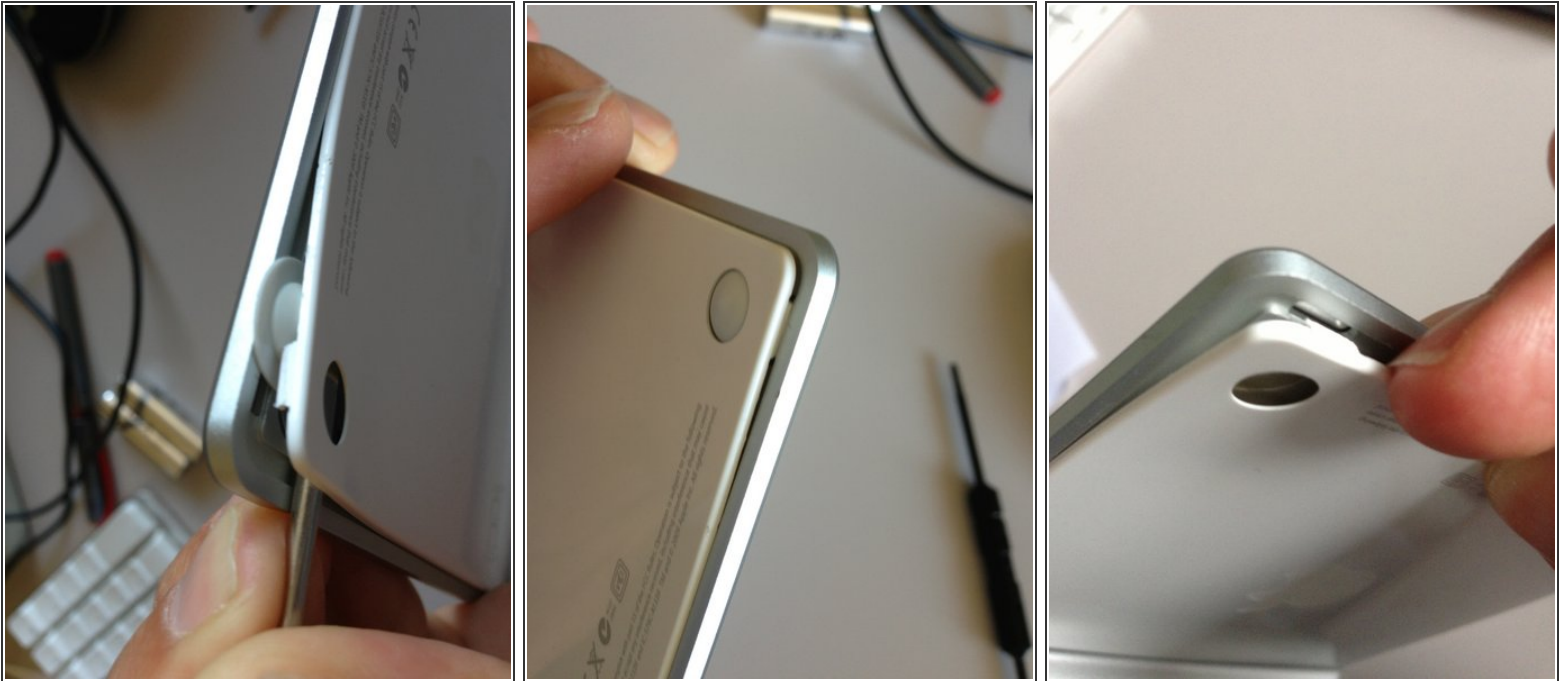
- Unscrew the battery door by turning the screw counter-clockwise with a flat edge screwdriver, coin, plastic opening tool, or fingernail.

Step 2



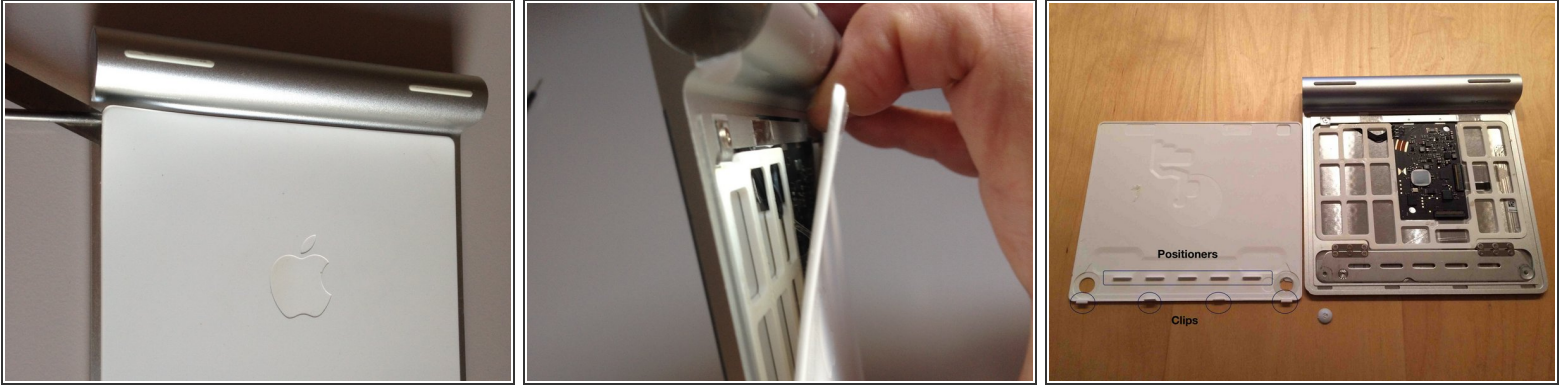
- The rubber buffer consists of two parts, a rigid part made of plastic and the sheath is made of rubber.
- If the shape of the foot is not perfectly spherical, as in the photo, which can be caused by one of the two rubber flap that came out of the notch. Put it back. And it is spherical again.

Step 3



- Using a small flathead screwdriver, gently break the seal between the white plastic backing and the metal top.
- Pry up the corner with the screwdriver
- Place the rubber foot back in place.
- Squeeze closed the backing and metal (it will snap into place).
- Click on trackpad to test.
- Insert the battery and you are done.
- It may happen again when you move inadvertently a sheet of paper under the trackpad contributing involuntarily to the extraction of one of the rubber feet.

Step 4



- If you want to remove the plastic cover completely I recommend opening it from the top side not to break any of the clips in the bottom. The cover is attached to the trackpad through rubber glue on the plastic grid and four clips in the bottom.
- It is a convenient and even a better method in order to not alter the fragile rubber feet. Take your time to slowly open the plastic cover from the top side.

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