iPhone 6s Plus Screen Replacement

Replace a cracked or broken screen in the iPhone 6s Plus, and transfer the home button to the new display.

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INTRODUCTION

Learn how to replace your iPhone 6s Plus’ screen. This part comes with the front-facing camera, sensor assembly, and EMI shield already installed, making for an easier repair.

All you need to do is remove the old screen and transfer the home button to the new screen, in order for Touch ID to function.

You can also use this guide to replace the display cable bracket.

[video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P8xVze0OHFE]

TOOLS:
- iOpener (1)
- P2 Pentalobe Screwdriver iPhone (1)
- Phillips #000 Screwdriver (1)
- iFixit Opening Tools (1)
- Suction Handle (1)
- Spudger (1)
- Tweezers (1)

PARTS:
- iPhone 6s Plus Screen (1)
- iPhone 6s Plus Display Assembly Adhesive (1)
- NuGlas Tempered Glass Screen Protector for iPhone 6 Plus 6s Plus 7 Plus (1)
- iPhone 6s Plus Front Panel Assembly Cable Bracket (1)
Step 1 — Pentalobe Screws

⚠️ Before disassembling your iPhone, discharge the battery below 25%. A charged lithium-ion battery can catch fire and/or explode if accidentally punctured.

- Power off your iPhone before beginning disassembly.
- Remove the two 3.4 mm Pentalobe screws on either side of the Lightning port.
Step 2 — Taping Over The Display

- If your display glass is cracked, keep further breakage contained and prevent bodily harm during your repair by taping over the glass.

- Lay overlapping strips of clear packing tape over the iPhone's display until the whole face is covered.
  
  This will keep glass shards contained and provide structural integrity when prying and lifting the display.

- Wear safety glasses to protect your eyes from any glass shaken free during the repair.

- If the broken glass makes it difficult to get a suction cup to stick in the next few steps, try folding a strong piece of tape (such as duct tape) into a handle and lifting the display with that instead.
Step 3 — Opening Procedure

- Optionally, apply mild heat to the lower edge of the iPhone using an iOpener or hair dryer for about a minute.

  Heat softens the adhesive securing the display, making it easier to open.

Step 4

- Opening the display on the 6s Plus separates a thin strip of adhesive around the perimeter of the display. If you prefer to replace the adhesive, have a set of new adhesive strips ready before you continue. It's possible to complete the repair without replacing the adhesive, and you probably won't notice any difference in functionality.

- Apply a suction cup to the lower left corner of the display assembly.
Step 5

- Pull up on the suction cup with firm, constant pressure to create a slight gap between the front panel and rear case.

⚠️ Pulling too hard may damage the display assembly. Apply just enough pressure to create a small gap between the display assembly and the rear case.

Step 6

- The safest place to pry from is the notch in the front panel above the headphone jack.

- While still maintaining pressure on the suction cup, insert the flat tip of a spudger into the gap, directly above the headphone jack.
Step 7

- Twist the spudger to widen the gap between the front panel and the rear case.

Step 8

- While firmly pulling up on the suction cup, slide the edge of the spudger under the bottom left corner of the display.
Step 9

- Slide the tip of the spudger up the left side of the phone, between the front panel and the rear case.

Step 10

- Insert the flat tip of the spudger under the right edge of the display.
- Slide the spudger up the right side.
Step 11

- Use a plastic opening tool to hold down the rear case while pulling up the suction cup to open the phone.

⚠️ Do not remove the display completely, or you will damage the data cables connecting the display near the top edge of the iPhone.

Step 12

- Pull up on the small nub on the suction cup to remove it from the display.
Step 13

- Gently grasp the display assembly and lift it up to open the phone, using the clips at the top of the front panel as a hinge.

- Open the display to about a 90° angle, and lean it against something to keep it propped up while you're working on the phone.
  
 ⚠️ Don't open the display more than 90°—it is still connected to the top of the phone by the display, digitizer, and front camera cables which can tear easily.

- Add a rubber band to keep the display securely in place while you work. This prevents undue strain on the display cables.

⚠️ In a pinch, you can use an unopened canned beverage to support the display.
Step 14 — Battery Connector

- Remove two Phillips screws securing the battery connector bracket to the logic board, of the following lengths:
  - One 2.9 mm screw
  - One 2.3 mm screw

Throughout this guide, keep careful track of your screws so that each one goes back where it came from during reassembly. Installing a screw in the wrong place can cause permanent damage.

Step 15

- Remove the battery connector bracket.
Step 16

- Use a spudger or a clean fingernail to disconnect the battery connector by prying it straight up off the logic board.

Step 17

- Bend the connector back to ensure it doesn't make contact and power the iPhone on while you're working on it.
Step 18 — Display Assembly

- Remove the following Phillips screws:
  - Three 1.3 mm screws
  - One 1.6 mm screw
  - One 3.0 mm screw

  During reassembly, it's critical to place this 3.0 mm screw in the top-right corner of the bracket. Placing it anywhere else may damage the logic board.

Step 19

- Remove the display cable bracket.

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Step 20

⚠️ Be careful to only pry up on the connector itself and not the socket on the logic board.

- Use a plastic opening tool to disconnect the front-facing camera and sensor cable connector.
Step 21

- Use a plastic opening tool to disconnect the digitizer cable by prying it straight up from its socket on the logic board.

⚠️ When reconnecting the digitizer cable, **do not press the center of the connector**. Press one end of the connector, then press the opposite end. Pressing in the center of the connector can bend the component and cause digitizer damage.
Step 22

⚠️ Make sure the battery is disconnected before you disconnect or reconnect the cable in this step.

- Disconnect the home button/fingerprint sensor cable by prying it straight up from its socket on the logic board.
Step 23

- Remove the display assembly.

⚠️ During reassembly, pause here if you wish to replace the adhesive around the edges of the display.

Step 24 — Home Button Assembly

- Remove the two 1.9 mm Phillips screws securing the home button bracket.
Step 25

- Remove the home button bracket.

Step 26

- Use the pointed tip of a spudger to disconnect the home button cable from its connector on the display assembly.
Step 27

⚠️ The rubber gasket surrounding the home button is very thin and tears easily.

- Apply mild heat (with an iOpener, heat gun, or hair dryer) to soften the adhesive securing the home button gasket.
- Using your fingertip, gently press up on the home button from the front side of the display assembly. Use firm, constant pressure to slowly separate the home button's rubber gasket from the front panel.

Step 28

- Use the pointed end of a spudger to pry the lightly-adhered home button flex cable off the display assembly.
Step 29

- Remove the home button assembly.

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