



How to 'repair' iPhone SE Lightning Connector

Before rushing out to replace your iPhone SE...

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INTRODUCTION

Before rushing out to replace your iPhone SE Lightning Connector, try this simple cleaning option.

My iPhone SE Lightning Connector had been in for repair under warranty 3 times and clearly had never been replaced. During the "replacement" of my Lightning Connector, I could see the phone had never been opened.

Unfortunately, the "replacement" Lightning Connector didn't work. So, thinking that I had nothing to lose, I set about trying to fix it and it worked!



TOOLS:

- [Tweezers](#) (1)



PARTS:

- [DeoxIT® Contact Cleaner 25ml Needle Dispenser](#) (1)

Step 1 — Tweezer Time



- Using the fine tweezers, carefully remove the build up of fluff and other debris from inside the Lightning Connector. I was really shocked how much was in there.

Step 2 — Contact Cleaner Time



- After having cleared out the inside of the Lightning Connector, carefully apply contact cleaner. It may not be a bad idea to mask off the rest of the phone before doing this. My Lightning Connector had been removed from the phone so it wasn't a problem I had to deal with.
- ⓘ Do this outside if possible as contact cleaner can stink.

Step 3 — Put the kettle on and make a cuppa



- When the contact cleaner has dried, you're ready to go.

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