

Core Assembly Removal

This guide shows how to remove the core assembly in the Samsung Galaxy Watch3.

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INTRODUCTION

Use this guide to remove the core assembly in the Samsung Galaxy Watch3.

TOOLS:

- iFixit Opening Tools (1)
- Tri-point Y00 Screwdriver (1)
- Spudger (1)

Step 1 — Unfasten the back cover screws



- Before starting repairs, take your watch off the charger and power it down.
- Use a Tri-point Y00 driver to unfasten the four screws on the back of the watch.
- Don't worry about removing the screws, they will stay in place in the back cover.

Step 2 — Wedge open the back cover



- Insert an opening tool between the back cover and the metal housing.
- Twist the opening tool to create a wider gap.
- Don't fully remove the back cover just yet. The sensor flex cable is still connected to the motherboard.

Step 3 — Disconnect the sensor flex cable



- Lay the watch face down.
- Carefully lift the back cover up from the edge with the buttons to access the sensor connector.
- Use the flat end of a spudger to pry up and disconnect the sensor flex cable from the motherboard.

Step 4 — Remove the back cover



- Remove the back cover.
- Make sure the rubber gasket (marked red) is undamaged. If damaged replace it with a new one during reassembly to maintain proper water resistance.

Step 5 — Unplug the display connector



• Use the flat end of a spudger to pry up and disconnect the display flex cable from the motherboard.

Step 6 — Loosen the core assembly



- (i) The core's plastic frame fits tightly within the watch's metal housing.
- Place the corner of the flat end of a spudger in the small opening of the barometric sensor, on the opposite side of the display connector.
- Twist and tilt the spudger to lever the core assembly out of the metal housing.

Step 7 — Remove the core assembly



- Carefully thread the display flex cable through the gap on the core's plastic frame.
- Remove the core assembly.

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