



Replacing the Slider on a Coil Zipper

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INTRODUCTION

When a zipper pull breaks, or the slider simply wears out, you don't need to replace the entire zipper. Just replace the zipper slider. This is a quick repair that can make the difference between a zipper that doesn't work at all and one that works like it's brand new. Determine the size of your replacement slider by looking on the bottom of your existing slider.

For replacement parts or further assistance, contact [Patagonia Customer Service](#).

[video: <https://vimeo.com/200851935>]

TOOLS:

[End Nippers](#) (1)

[Tweezers](#) (1)

[Large Needle Nose Pliers](#) (1)

Step 1 — Coil Zipper Slider



- Locate the top of the zipper on the side with the slider.
- Peel back any fabric that is covering the zipper stop.

Step 2



- Use end nippers to cut the stop.
⚠ Be sure to only cut the plastic or metal stop. You do not want to damage the webbing behind the zipper.

Step 3



- Carefully remove any remaining pieces of the stop using [tweezers](#).

Step 4



- Slide the damaged zipper slider up and off of the zipper.

Step 5



- Slide the replacement slider onto the zipper.
 - ① You may need to tug a little to get it past where the old stop was.
 - ① Make sure that your zipper slider is facing the correct way (right-side up) when you place it onto the zipper.

Step 6



- Grab a new zipper stop.
- Insert the teeth into the webbing in the same place where the old stop was located.

Step 7



- Use pliers to bend the metal top of the zipper stop around the edge of the webbing, poking the single tooth on the stop through the backside of the webbing.
 - Crimp the stop into place.
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