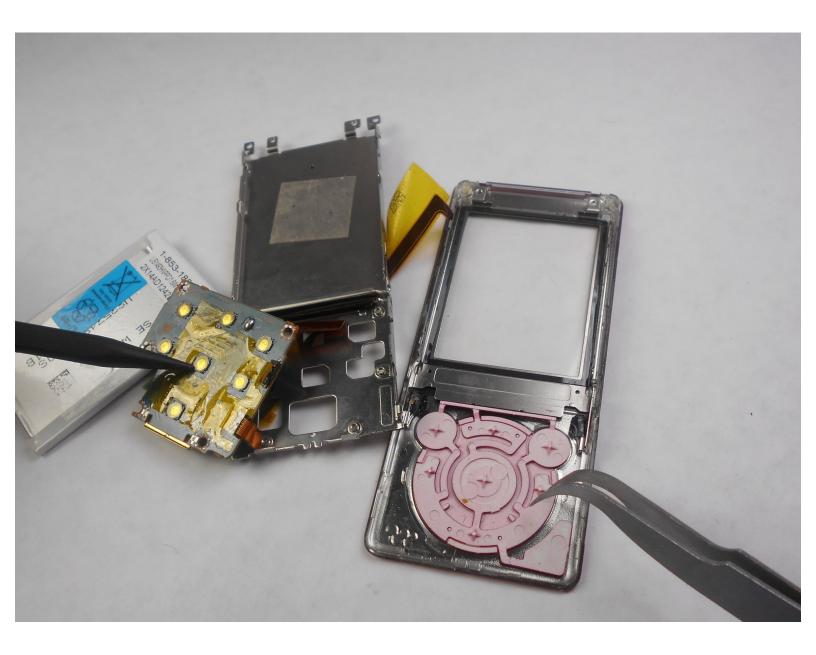


Sony NWZ-E473 Front Button Replacement

This is a guide which will show you how to replace the volume buttons.

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INTRODUCTION

When completing this guide, remember the front buttons are flimsy so handle with care.

TOOLS:

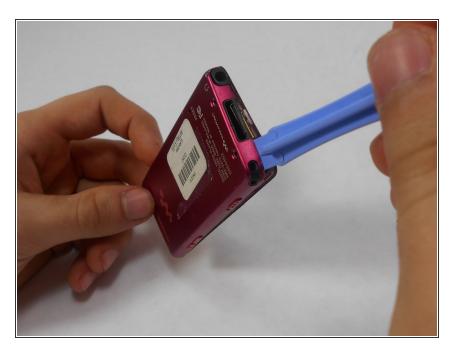
- Soldering Workstation (1)
- Phillips #00 Screwdriver (1)
- iFixit Opening Tool (1)
- Spudger (1)
- Tweezers (1)

Step 1 — Back Panel



 Use a Phillips #00 screwdriver to unscrew the two 5 mm screws located on the bottom of the back of the device.

Step 2



• Use a plastic opening tool to loosen the bottom portion of device.



• Use a plastic opening tool to loosen the top panel of the device.

Step 4

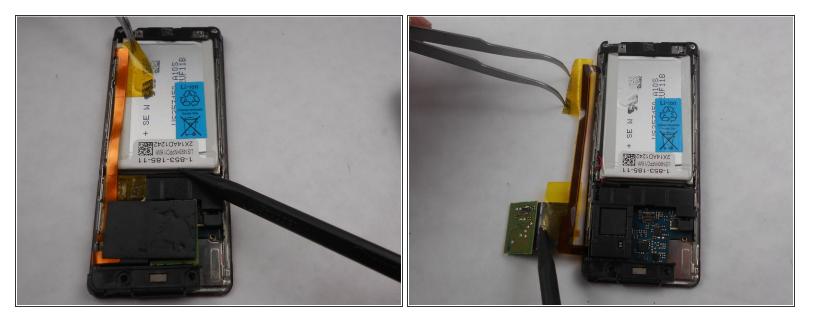


 Use a Phillips #00 screwdriver to remove the two 3 mm screws located on the portion under the top panel of the device.

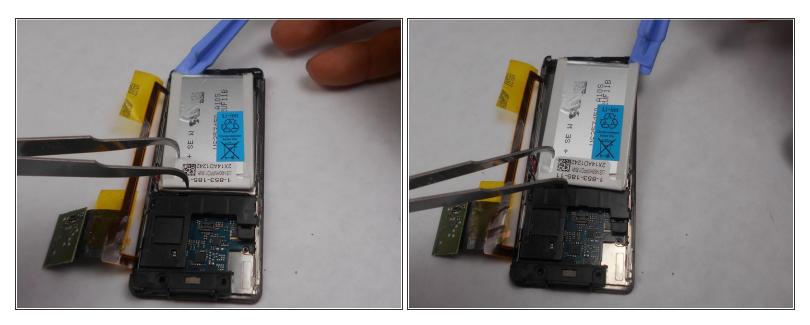


• Remove the back plate from the device.

Step 6 — Battery

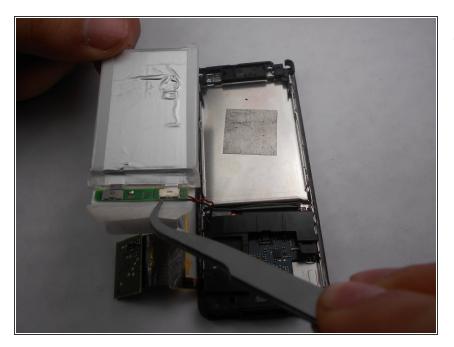


• Peel back the layer of tape along with the processor, which is located just below the battery, using the tweezers and the spudger.



• Slide a prying tool underneath the top portion of the battery and lift it from the case.

Step 8



 Remove the stickers from the battery terminals, which are on the underside of the battery.



• Use a soldering iron to remove the wires from the red and the black terminals.

Step 10 — Screen

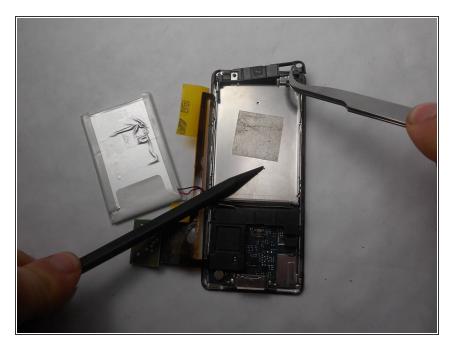


• Use a nylon spudger or tweezers to remove the plastic USB cover.

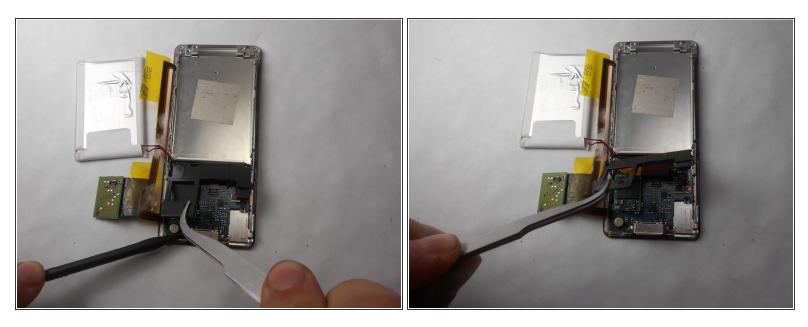


 Use a Phillips #00 screwdriver to unscrew two 2 mm screws located on the top corners of the device.

Step 12



• Use a nylon spudger or tweezers to remove the plastic protective plate at the top of device.

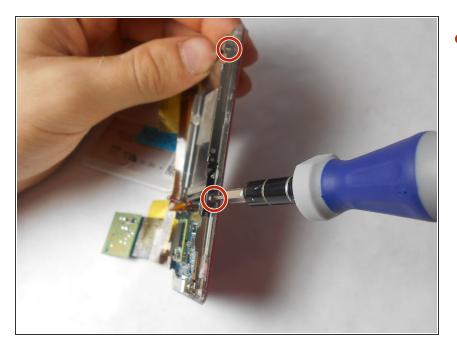


• Remove the plastic protective frame located over the motherboard with tweezers and a spudger.

Step 14

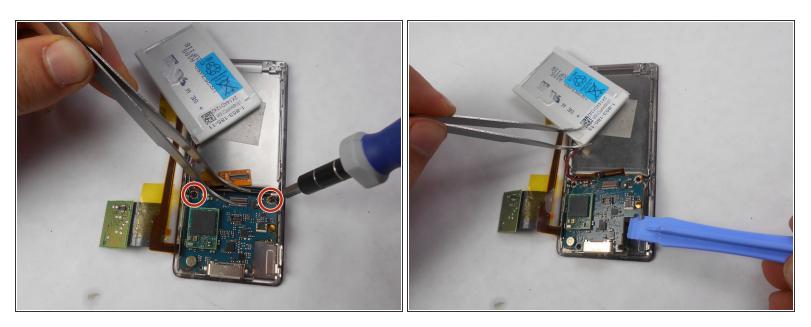


 Remove screen connection from motherboard using tweezers and spudger.

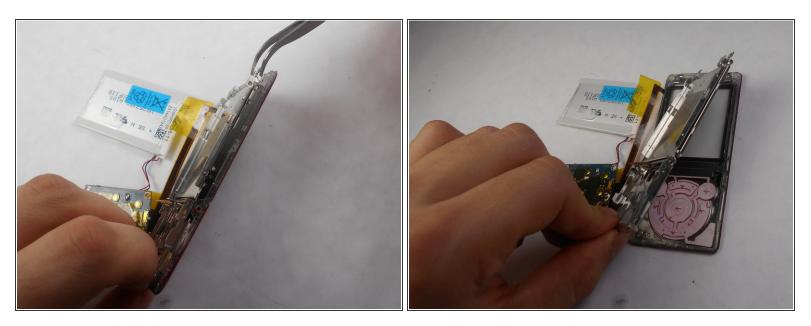


 Use a Phillips #00 screwdriver to remove two 3 mm screws at the bottom sides and two 1 mm screws at top sides of the device.

Step 16

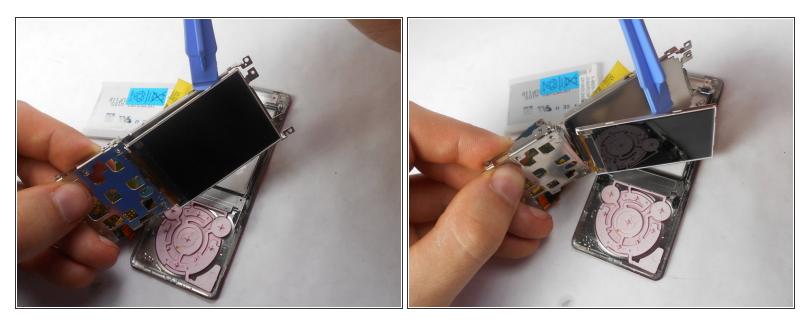


Use a Phillips #00 screwdriver to unscrew two 2 mm screws, and remove the motherboard from the device with tweezers and a plastic opening tool.



• Disconnect the metal shielding plate from the front panel with tweezers or a plastic opening tool.

Step 18



• Use a plastic opening tool to remove the screen from metal back plate.

Step 19 — Front Button



 Ensure that button connection is completely separated from the buttons.

Step 20



• Remove buttons from front display panel by pushing button display from the front of the device

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