

### IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU START

These easy instructions are intended to guide you through the replacement process. If you need additional help, please call 1-866-651-7669 for technical support from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm EST.

- ✓ Before you begin, place your notebook computer on a clean or covered surface to avoid damage to the computer's case.\*
- ✓ Follow the ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) damage prevention instructions:
  - Hold parts by the edges, away from exposed circuitry when possible.
  - Do not walk around excessively as this promotes static build-up.
- ✓ Remove jewelry before you begin work to avoid scratching the surface of your notebook computer.\*
- ✓ The appearance of the electronic components shown in the illustrations may be different from the components shipped. This slight difference does not affect the accuracy of these instructions.

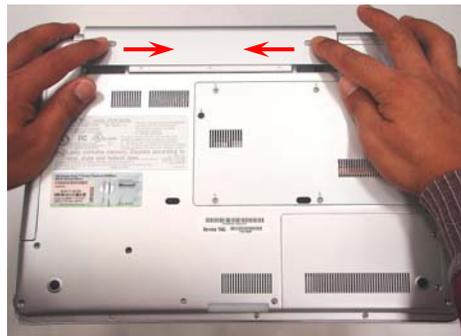
\* Sony is not responsible for damage caused by incorrect handling of the notebook computer.



#### Step 1. Prepare the Computer.

**⚠ CAUTION:** Make sure the computer is turned off, the lid is closed, and the AC Adapter is disconnected. Failure to do so can result in damage to the computer.

Place the computer upside down on a protected surface with the front edge facing you.



(Push tabs in the release direction)

#### Step 2. Remove the Battery Pack

Locate the two tabs as shown in the picture. One is on the left end of the battery pack, and the other is located on the right side. Using your thumbs and fingers push both tabs in the release direction; gently push the battery pack away from you.

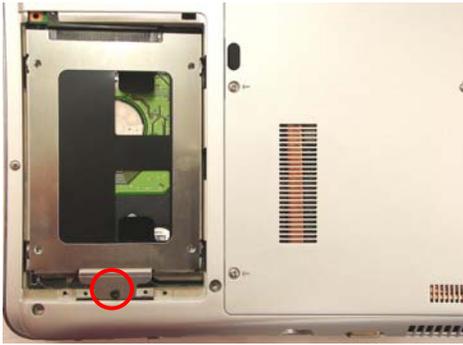


(HDD Removal) Steps 3-6

#### Step 3. Remove the HDD cover.

Rotate the computer with the Hard Disk Drive (HDD) bay facing you as shown in the picture.

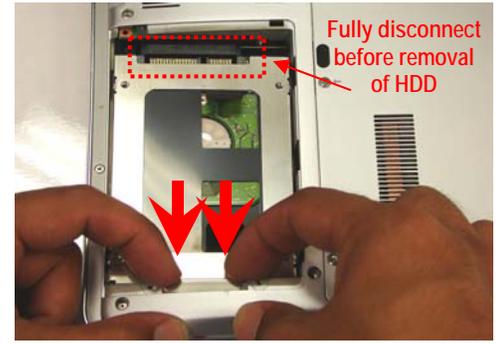
Using the enclosed magnetic screwdriver, loosen up the two (2) screws securing the hard disk drive access door. Remove the access door and set aside.



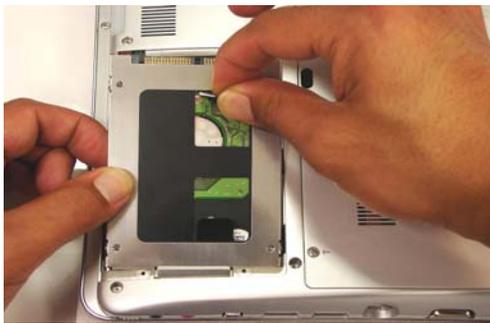
**Step 4.** Using the enclosed magnetic screwdriver, remove the individual screw indicated in the picture.



**CAUTION:** Do not pull the plastic tab before releasing the hard drive from the connector!

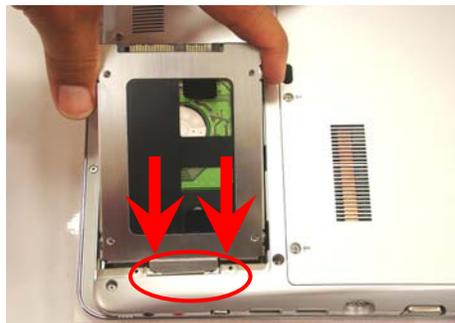


**Step 5.** With even force slide out the HDD as shown. Some force may be required to unlock the HDD from the connector.



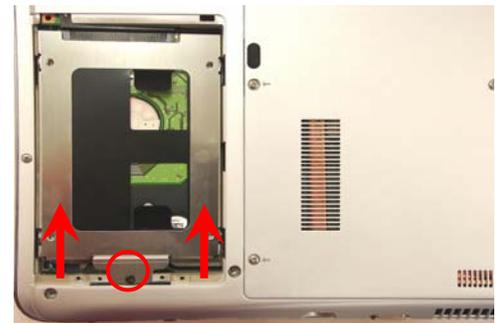
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**Step 6.** Gently pull out the original HDD away from the computer as shown.

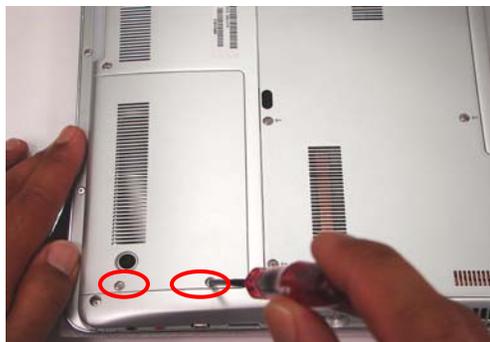


(HDD Reinstallation) Steps 7-10

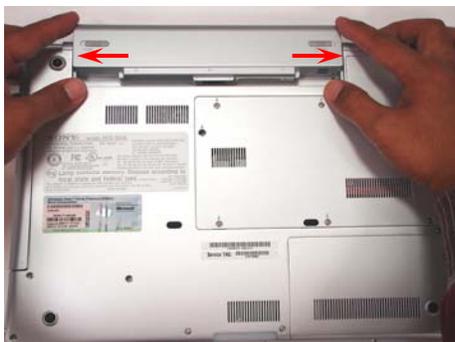
**Step 7.** Hold the new HDD by the edges and slide the tab inside the opening at an angle.



**Step 8.** Align the HDD with the connector and with even force push in the new HDD. Reinstall the previously removed screw.



**Step 9.** Reinstall the HDD access door removed and properly tighten the two screws.



(Battery tabs should be properly locked)

**Step 10.** Reinstall the Battery Pack. Reconnect the AC Adapter.

**Step 11.** Power on your computer and continue with the recovery process by following instructions described on the back of the recovery disk's case.

Return the old HDD Bay to Sony following the included shipping instructions.