






CHANGING A PANEL BATTERY

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- STEP 1** PLACE YOUR SYSTEM ON TEST
- Before changing the batteries, log into your [Guardian account](#) or call **1.800.PROTECT** (1.800.776.8328) to place your system on Test Mode. *This ensures Guardian doesn't accidentally notify the authorities.*
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- STEP 2** LOCATE YOUR PANEL BOX
- Locate and open the main control panel box. The panel box is typically located in a basement, closet, or utility room. You may have a panel box featuring a door secured by a lock and key, or one secured by screws.
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- LOCATE YOUR BATTERY
- Locate the panel battery, typically at the bottom of the panel box.
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- EXAMINE THE BATTERY
- Examine the battery for any abnormalities (e.g., the battery has a swollen or split case; there is liquid leaking from the case; the terminals are corroded; or the battery is hot.) If you see any abnormalities, please close the panel box and contact a Guardian representative to schedule a service call.
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- STEP 3** DISCONNECT THE BATTERY
- Disconnect the **black wire connector from the negative (-)** battery terminal, then disconnect the **red wire connector from the positive (+)** battery terminal.
-  **TIP:** You may need to use a pair of pliers with electrically insulated handles. You may need to wiggle the connector slightly for it to come loose.
- PLEASE NOTE:** Your security system may sound or the panel may beep as an indication that the battery has been removed from the system. You may press the * button to temporarily stop the noise while you change the battery.
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- REMOVE THE BATTERY
- Remove the old battery from the control panel box.
-  **WARNING:** Do not touch any metal objects to the terminals on the battery or to the open-end of the black and red wire connectors.
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- STEP 4** REMOVE PLASTIC PROTECTOR
- If the replacement battery has plastic terminal protectors, remove them before connecting the wires to the new battery.
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- CONNECT NEW BATTERY
- Connect the red wire to the **red (+) terminal**, and then connect the black wire to the **black (-) terminal**, of the new battery by pushing the connector firmly onto the terminal.
-  **TIP:** If the replacement battery does not have a red or black terminal, look at the top of the battery for a terminal next to a (+) positive or (-) negative sign.
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- CLOSE THE PANEL
- Close the panel box, securing any screws or turning the key to lock it.
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- STEP 5** ENTER YOUR CODE
- Return to the panel and enter your four-digit Master Panel Code to arm and then enter your four-digit code to disarm your system. You may need to reset the system by pressing the RESET button or entering (*) + 3.
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- CHECK YOUR PANEL
- The **yellow system trouble light** should clear after the battery is fully recharged. It can take up to 24 hours for the battery to fully recharge.
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- STEP 6** TEST YOUR SYSTEM
- Test your system to make sure everything is working properly.
- Return to your online Guardian account or contact us at 1.800.PROTECT (1.800.776.8328) to verify the test signals and to remove your system from **Test Mode**.