

The Costs of Repairing a Broken or Cracked iPhone Screen

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In brief

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Manufacturer repair

Apple products are expensive, so going with the manufacturer to repair your phone can end up being costly. If you have the AppleCare protection plan, your pricing may be lower, but if you didn't pay for that coverage, you'll be paying a much higher price to repair your screen. Generally, repairing an iPhone screen through Apple costs between \$100 and \$300, depending on the make and model of your iPhone. That being said, if there are other internal issues beyond screen damage from the impact to your phone, you may be looking at even costlier repairs. If the LCD is damaged underneath the glass, for example, you may be paying up to \$600 for a fix, at which point getting an entirely new phone from your wireless provider is almost more sensible. Even worse, having Apple fix your phone can cost you time. Sometimes you'll need to wait a week or longer to get your smartphone back. Although, if you're looking to become more productive, going without your phone for a while could be a blessing in disguise.

Third-party

Thankfully, you don't always have to go to the manufacturer to get your screen repaired. Rather than heading to the Apple store and hoping for the best, you can look online at an electronics repair store to get a quote on an iPhone screen repair before you even go in. Third-party repair stores often undercut the manufacturer to attract customers, passing the savings on to you. Pricing is often much more transparent from third-party stores, too. For example, repairing the screen of an iPhone X costs about \$200. Replacing the screens of an older model iPhone, such as the iPhone 6, may run you even less, with the average cost coming in at around \$70. Best of all, you can even set up your appointment at the location closest to you after receiving your quote, so that you can be back to using your iPhone in no time.

Self-repair kits

Self-repair kits may be the most affordable option if you're looking to save money on your iPhone screen repair, but they are also the riskiest. Simply look at Amazon reviews for any number of self-repair screen replacement kits and you'll see dozens of negative reviews from customers who made their problems even worse by breaking things further. As such, it's a much safer option to get someone with experience to fix your screen. Otherwise, you may end up needing much more costly repairs by inadvertently making matters worse. Even if you are successful, repairing the phone screen yourself may void your warranty, which could cause other problems later down the road. While a cracked iPhone screen can be frustrating, it doesn't have to be the end of the world. There are plenty of services available to help you repair your screen and get back to using your phone in short order. Here are a few other articles that you may read next

- Best Way to Protect Your iPhone under All Circumstance
- Find an iPhone Repair Solution in San Francisco
- Top 5 Best Tricks to Secure your iPhone

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