

# Access Panel Replacement Instructions

Follow the instructions in this sheet carefully. Failure to follow these instructions could damage your equipment and void its warranty.

Online instructions are available at <http://www.info.apple.com/installparts/>.

**Note:** These instructions apply to different versions of the Power Mac G5. While some models may look slightly different from the one shown in the illustrations, the steps for all models are the same.

## Tools Required

No tools are required for this procedure.

## Before Opening the Computer

1. Shut down the computer.

**Warning:** Always shut down the computer before opening it to avoid damaging its internal components or the components you are installing. Do not open the computer or attempt to install items inside it while it is on.

2. Wait 5 to 10 minutes to allow the computer's internal components to cool.

**Warning:** After you shut down the system, the internal components can be very hot. You must let the computer cool down before continuing.

3. Unplug all external cables from the computer except the power cord.
4. Touch the metal PCI access covers on the back of the computer to discharge any static electricity from your body. **(Figure 1)**

**Important:** Always discharge static before you touch any parts or install any components inside the computer. To avoid generating static electricity, do not walk around the room until you have finished working and closed the computer.

**Figure 1**



5. Unplug the power cord.

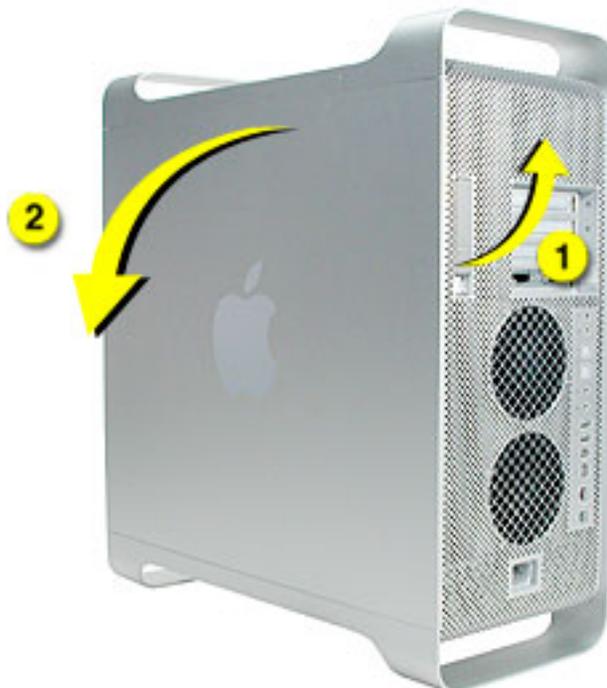
## **Removing and Installing the Access Panel**

1. Hold the side access panel and lift the latch on the back of the computer. **(Figure 2)**

**Warning:** The edges of the access panel and the enclosure can be sharp. Be very careful when handling them. Hold the access panel securely.

2. Remove the access panel and place it on a flat surface covered by a soft, clean cloth.

**Figure 2**



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3. Install the replacement access panel by inserting the tab on the bottom edge of the panel into the channel in the bottom frame of the enclosure. Then rotate the panel up flush against the top frame.

**Note:** Make sure the latch is in the up position before replacing the access panel. If the latch is down, the access panel will not seat correctly in the enclosure.

4. Push the latch down to close and secure the access panel.

**Warning:** Never turn on the computer unless all of its internal and external parts are in place and it is closed. Operating the computer when it is open or missing parts can damage it or cause injury.

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