

This is how you get to the battery on a CP1700. From the rear of the printer remove the rear feeder by depressing both buttons and lifting away from the body of the printer. Next remove the right darker grey cover by removing two T-20 Torx head screws, one on top and the other under the feeder tray you just removed. Slide the cover back about an inch and then pull out. Under that cover you will see a metal plate mounted vertically that has three T10 Torx screws that you will need to remove. Once you have done that you can tip that plate out and see the battery. Depending on how nimble your fingers are you can determine if and which cables you need to unplug to get to the battery. With my fat hands I needed to remove 4 of the cables that plug into that board. Once I did that I was able to get to the battery and pulled it out. After getting everything back together it appears to have been a complete success. Cartridges are no longer expired (amazing huh?) and working great!

Here's a picture of what the battery looks like on one HP printer:

<http://www.land.netonecom.net/tlp/ref/letters/hpPrinters.php>

If you're not handy or don't have the right Torx head screwdrivers, you can set the date back on your computer and get by in a pinch.

Here's a note from somebody who didn't have as much success with a CP1700:

"I went to remove the battery on my cp1700 today and the battery retaining spring snapped. This meant the cover had to come off, the battery holder removed by snapping the -ve electrode, and using trimmed small cable connectors,(those with a brass block and two small screws, covered with plastic) attached a couple of feet of wire to the remains of the snapped electrodes and passing them out through the back of the printer. Then connected to a new battery holder. Inserted the battery and placed in a plastic box for safety. The out of date cartridge is now back in use, while the battery is now easily accesible outside of the printer. (p.s. instead of removing the battery a thin piece of plastic slid under the +ve electrode for an hour might work)

Thanks for your reply, but temporarily disabling the battery on my printer by sliding a plastic card between the battery and its contact - easy as pie - is the way to enable expired printer cartridges, at least on the d135xi. I didn't even have to remove the battery, just break the contact for 10 or so minutes.

It worked on my D145 fine, so I'm surprised if it doesn't work on your similar model. It doesn't work on all Hp models, though. The extra cartridges don't have to have ink in them to fool the printer. You can disable the ink measuring system according to HP's instructions, and then your refills will work. However, be sure not to run the ink dry or printhead damage can result. I am including my latest revision of my guide. I clarified and added a few details about using windex.