

## VGN-AR Series Optical Disk Drive Replacement Instructions

## IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU START

These easy instructions are intended to guide you through the replacement process.

- ✓ To avoid electric shock, please make sure product is turned off and AC Adaptor is disconnected from the power source. Remove jewelry before you begin work to avoid scratching the surface of your notebook computer.\*
- ✓ Place your notebook computer on a clean, stable and covered surface to avoid damage to the computer's case.\*
- ✓ Follow the ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) damage prevention instructions:
  - o Hold parts by the edges, away from exposed circuitry when possible.
  - o Do not walk around excessively as this promotes static build-up.
- ✓ 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.

<sup>\*</sup> Sony is not responsible for any loss of data associated with your computer or any damage caused by incorrect handling of the computer under these procedures. The terms of your Sony limited warranty continue to apply.



**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.



Step 3. Locate ODD Bay.

Rotate the computer with the Optical Disk Drive (ODD) Bay facing you as shown in the picture.

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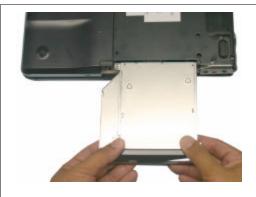
**Step 4.** Remove the ODD Bay. Using the enclosed magnetic screwdriver, loosen up the three (3) screws securing the ODD Bay.



**Step 5.** To initiate the removal of the ODD Bay, pull slightly the ODD door as shown in the picture.



**Step 6.** With even force slide out the ODD as shown. Some force may be required to unlock the ODD from the connector.



**Step 7.** Hold the new ODD Bay by the edges and align it with the opening. IMPORTANT! Install the new ODD in the correct position.



**Step &** With an even force slide in the new ODD Bay.



**Step 9.** Make sure the new ODD Bay is seating flush on the edge of the computer.



**Step 10.** IMPORTANT! Make sure the three (3) mounting holes are aligned properly.



**Step 11.** Reinstall the three (3) previously removed screws.

**Step 12.** Reinstall the battery pack.

Return the old ODD to Sony following the included shipping instructions.