The Snap-In (or Lock-In) Attachment

If your keyguard was ordered with the snap-in attachment, it will have two or more small tabs on its ends. These tabs fit under the edge of the case and hold the keyguard in place. The lock-in attachment will have the tabs on all four edges of the keyguard.

Foam Cases - The snap-in attachment is the only one we recommend for a foam case like the Foam Tech,

Big Grips, or the Classic EVA. Slip the tabs under one end of the opening, then bend the keyguard up in the middle and slide the other end into place. Knead the edges of the foam to eliminate any curling-under until they rest completely on top of the tabs and the keyguard lies flat. (Lock-in: We don't recommend the lock-in attachment for these cases, because they are extremely difficult to install, but if you ordered one, it's better to start at one corner and work your way around to the other corners. If your case has a folding handle, remove it for easier access. Start with the stiffest corner, and end with the flimsiest corner. If you put a lock-in attachment in this kind of case, you'll never want to remove it so you never have to do it again.)



Classic EVA case with handle removed for seating lock-in attachment.

Screw-together Cases - If your case is held together with screws, like the AMDI iAdapter or a GoNow Rugged case, unscrew the case, then insert the keyguard. Screw the case back together.

Snap-together Cases - If your case is a snap-together clamshell type like the Otterbox Defender or has a plastic bezel like the Gumdrop Hideaway, open the case. If there is a clear screen protector, break the seal on the ends where the tabs will be inserted by pressing your fingertips against the edge. It's usually just secured with double-sided tape or light glue, so it's easy to separate, and you'll hear a slight cracking sound as the glue is separated from the frame. If the screen protector is held with a really strong glue that you cannot break, you can cut it along the edge of the frame bezel with a sharp knife. Be sure to cut it exactly even with the bezel, or the keyguard won't fit. You can leave the two longer edges of the screen protector glued in place. Reassemble the case with the iPad in it. It's usually a tight fit the first time.



Breaking the seal on an Otterbox Defender



Cutting the screen protector when the glue is too strong to break free

For the lock-in attachment, you'll probably need to remove the screen protector entirely.

Note: If your case claims to be watertight, inserting the snap-in attachment will break the watertight seal!

