

# The Piano Owner's Heads-Up Guide to Important Piano Maintenance

## Focus On: Add-On Dollies and Trucks\*



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**For pianos which need to be moved frequently from one location to another (such as in a church or school), a set of piano dollies or a piano truck can make the job much easier and protect flooring surfaces as well.**

The larger wheels of piano dollies (shown with original caster in photo above) make it possible to easily push a piano across carpeted surfaces. Most available dollies and trucks feature wheels which swivel to facilitate moving a piano around tight corners.

The wheels of dollies and trucks are typically made of rubber or black polyurethane, providing protection for wood and laminate flooring which could be easily damaged by steel or brass wheels.

\* Trucks are similar to dollies but have a unified assembly (everything is connected together) whereas dollies are more than one individual part (usually 2) each of which must be attached to the piano.



*A grand piano truck protects wooden floor.*

Piano dollies and trucks are available for all sizes and styles of pianos. Once installed, they typically stay with the piano for good, so that it's a once-and-done procedure.

**Note:** Dollies and trucks do elevate the height of the piano a bit (usually in the 2—2 1/2 inches). For grand pianos, the original casters will need to be removed so that the legs rest directly on the sockets of the piano truck (see photo above).



*Easy movement made possible on plush carpets.*

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