

## Porter Case PCi

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**The new Porter Case PCi is a hard-sided carryon bag that transforms into a patented cart (trolley) capable of carrying an additional 150 lbs of baggage.**



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**Combining the best features of the original Porter Case with years of customer feedback and enhancement requests.**

After years of struggling through airports with a hundred plus pounds of dive gear and underwater camera equipment, I have finally found a case that allows me to get my gear from the curb to the counter with ease.

The PCi case has six possible interior configurations, retailing from \$259 - \$347. Its exterior dimensions of 22 x 14 x 9 in. are within US carryon regulations and it weighs a little over 10 lbs. The cart features a built in TSA combination lock and three additional safety latches. Side and end spring loaded handles make for easy maneuvering, while a water and dust resistant gasket helps to keep the contents safe. Constructed of high impact, injected PP plastic, with sturdy 4 in. ball bearing wheels and a 40 in. extension handle, the case comes with a 3 year limited warranty. Converting from the standard roller case configuration to the cart (trolley) configuration becomes second nature after a couple of tries, though instructions are included just in case (pun intended).

As a photographer, I opted for the Camera case configuration, which comes with padded dividers and a foam insert in the lid. There is also a Deluxe Camera configuration, which includes an organizer in the lid that holds a 15 in. laptop. The Camera case easily accommodates 2 pro-style DSLR's, 3 - 4 lenses, a flash and various accessories. The convertible handle is build into the lid, so you trade a bit of interior storage space for the cart carrying capability.

When traveling, I try to keep my camera gear with me at all times but there are occasions, such as when boarding a small plane, where I must relinquish my carryon. The sturdy, hard-sided Porter Case PCi with its TSA locks gives me confidence that my gear will arrive in one piece.

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