

# Choosing the right laptop charging trolley guide

There is a lot of points to consider when deciding to buy a laptop trolley, and with so much information available, it is difficult to decide which options will be right for you and your needs. That's why we've put together a few questions below, which are important points to be aware of when deciding to buy a laptop or netbook charging trolley. We hope it's helpful!

## Safety

1. Does the laptop trolley meet all of the British health and safety electrical standards?
2. Has the laptop trolley been tested for compliance by an independent body in the UK? Is it CE Certified?
3. Does the laptop trolley come with load protection (also known as 'soft-start' protection) as standard, to ensure that it does not trip circuit breakers when it is fully loaded with laptops?
4. Does the laptop trolley have surge protection, to ensure laptops aren't damaged by any sudden fluctuations in electricity?
5. If using a data transfer function, is there additional cooling provided with the unit to prevent overheating?
6. Is the laptop trolley painted in a lead-free, durable, powder-coated paint, protecting against everyday scuffs and marks?

## Security

7. Is the laptop trolley constructed of fully welded steel, with no plastic mouldings, or wooden inserts or doors?
8. Does the laptop trolley have separate keys to unlock the front and back doors, for enhanced security and student safety?

## Charging

9. Consider how you want to charge your laptops. Do you want quick and hassle free integrated charging requiring no AC adaptors, have the AC adaptors on the shelf alongside the laptop for easy removal, or do you want the AC adaptor safely stored in the back of the trolley?
10. Does the laptop trolley charge all laptops simultaneously?

## Energy Consumption

11. If using integrated charging, does the laptop trolley come with sophisticated power-saving functionality to reduce energy consumption, or does it just use a timer?

## Mobile or Static

12. Consider how you want to use your laptop charging trolley. Is a mobile laptop trolley the best option, or would a static locker be the best solution for your needs?

