Transport and storage cases recommended for Wildtronics Parabolic Microphones

Light/Soft, temporary transporting:

Temporary transport in a vehicle can be as simple as using a large garbage bag, a large laundry bag, or placing in a jacket or blanket. For carrying in the field, you can use some readily available containers. On the low cost side, there are military, vertical loading, duffel bags, (\$20-\$40) where, once the microphone is disassembled, the dish can roll up slightly to fit in, with the microphone placed in the middle, separated with foam or soft cloth from scratching the dish. Internal size should be at least 12 inches in diameter by 24 inches long. Here are some suggestions:



Illustration 1: 23x34 inch duffle bag from military stores



Illustration 2: 25x42 military style top load duffle bag

For a waterproof version of the above, larger dry bags can be used. (\$110 range)



Green Illustration 3: Sealline Boundary Pack 115 Liter

Hard case or longer storage options:

For more abusive transporting or longer term storage, hard cases can be used. You may find a simple tote bin that fits for an inexpensive solution. If you have a Feather Light dish, a transport tube for mailing or a drafting/poster tube can work well. For more tactical or abusive transporting, cases from Pelican or SKB can be sourced. To fit the assembled Wildtronics Parabolic Microphones, without rolling the dish, an internal size should be at least 22.5 x 22.5 x 10 inch. A suggested Pelican Case is model #1640 (\$280 range). It has an internal space of 23.7 x 24 x 13.9 inch, which can be used to also enclose supporting equipment such as recorders, cameras, etc. A smaller, lighter, and less expensive case from SKB Cases is model # 3I-2222-12BC (with foam - \$240 range), and # 3I-2222-12BE (without foam - \$210 range). It has an internal space of 22.5 x 22.5 x 12.5 inch.



Illustration 4: Drafting/poster Hard Tube, 7"x 32-53", usartsupply.com



Illustration 5: Pelican #1640 Case



Illustration 6: SBK # 3I-2222-12BC

Hard case for carrying just the Pro Series Microphone Unit and Handle:

You might want to place the microphone unit is a hard case to protect it from potential damage, and store the dish in another manner. The minimum inside dimensions of a case should be $12 \times 6 \times 8$

inches. A Pro Mono-Stereo unit would add 3 inches to the length, but you can remove the separator plate for storage to fit smaller cases. Here are some cases that would work: An Apache #63927 from harborfreight.com (\$40), or Pelican #1450; Utility box from Harbor Freight # 64113 (\$10) or Flambeau #1409; also luggage style cases like SKB # 9P1410-01E will work. Some other options from Pelican are numbers iM2100, iM2200, V250, and V300. There are many other options out there, these are just a few ideas.



Illustration 7: Apache #63927 from Harbor Freight



Illustration 8: Harbor Freight box #64113