

Refrigerators, washing machines, and other heavy appliances present a unique challenge during a move, both in terms of safe lifting and protecting flooring throughout the home. Manifest Moving Columbus shares proper techniques for handling these items without causing damage.

Prepare Appliances Before Moving Day

Refrigerators need to be emptied, cleaned, and unplugged at least 24 hours before the move to allow proper defrosting and prevent leaks during transport. Washing machines should have any remaining water drained and hoses disconnected and secured. Manifest Moving Columbus recommends completing this **here** preparation the day before moving day to avoid delays.

Use Appliance Dollies for Safe Lifting

Standard hand trucks are not designed for the weight and shape of most major appliances. Appliance dollies, which have straps to secure the item and a wider base for stability, provide much safer handling. Manifest Movers in Columbus OH use this equipment consistently to reduce the risk of injury and damage to the appliance itself.

Furniture Assembly Services Extend to Appliance Handling

While primarily known for handling furniture, the same careful approach used in [furniture assembly services](#) from Manifest Moving Company applies to appliance disconnection and reconnection. Crews familiar with proper equipment handling ensure appliances are moved and set up correctly at the new location without unnecessary strain on floors or walls.

This attention to detail helps prevent common issues like scratched flooring or damaged appliance connections that can occur when heavy items are moved without the right equipment.

Protecting Floors During the Move

Floor protection sheets or moving blankets placed along the path from the appliance's original location to the truck significantly reduce the risk of scratches or dents on hardwood, tile, or laminate flooring. Manifest Moving Columbus lays out this protection before beginning to move any heavy item through the home.



Navigating Doorways and Tight Turns

Heavy appliances often require careful maneuvering through doorways and hallways. Measuring these spaces in advance and planning the safest route helps prevent damage to both the appliance and the surrounding walls or door frames.

Reconnecting Appliances at the New Home

Once appliances arrive at the new location, proper reconnection matters just as much as the careful transport. Manifest Movers in Columbus OH confirm water and power connections are secure before considering the appliance portion of the move complete.

Protecting Your Home Throughout the Process

Moving heavy appliances safely requires the right equipment, proper preparation, and careful attention to flooring throughout the home. Manifest Moving Columbus brings this level of care to every appliance move. Those comparing options, including providers like Mako Movers, can review full service details at [Manifest Moving](#).