

PRACTICAL RV BASICS

BREAK CAMP - Work from the inside out, then complete a final walkaround

Campsite Departure Checklist

Campground: _____ Site: _____ Date: _____

INTERIOR & PASSENGERS

- ☐ Check the campsite checkout time, route, weather and fuel plan.
- ☐ Secure dishes, food, electronics and other loose belongings.
- ☐ Latch cabinets, drawers, shower doors, interior doors and refrigerator doors.
- ☐ Lower antennas or interior equipment that must be placed in travel position.
- ☐ Close roof vents and windows as conditions require; turn off unnecessary appliances.
- ☐ Confirm passengers and pets are accounted for and safely positioned before movement.

RETRACT & SECURE

- ☐ Clear people, pets, furniture and obstacles away from slide-outs and awnings.
- ☐ Retract slide-outs fully and install travel locks when required.
- ☐ Retract and lock awnings; secure steps, handrails, antennas and exterior accessories.
- ☐ Retract stabilizers, levelling jacks, landing gear or tongue jack as appropriate.
- ☐ Remove and store wheel chocks only after the RV is hitched or otherwise ready to move.
- ☐ Close and latch every exterior compartment and secure all outside cargo.

UTILITIES

- ☐ Dump holding tanks only where permitted; follow the correct tank sequence for your RV.
- ☐ Close waste valves, rinse and store the sewer hose, and install the sewer outlet cap.
- ☐ Turn off the water supply, relieve pressure, disconnect and store the fresh-water hose.
- ☐ Turn the pedestal breaker off before disconnecting the shore-power cord.
- ☐ Inspect and store the power cord, adapters, surge protector or electrical-management system.
- ☐ Set propane valves and appliances for travel according to applicable rules and instructions.

SITE & FINAL WALKAROUND

- ☐ Collect chairs, mats, blocks, tools, toys, pet equipment and rubbish.
- ☐ Check beneath and around the RV for forgotten items, leaks or damage.
- ☐ Restore the campsite and dispose of waste according to campground rules.
- ☐ Inspect tires, wheels, hitch or tow connection, safety equipment and exterior lights.
- ☐ Confirm the site is empty by walking one complete circle in the same direction every time.
- ☐ Pull forward slowly, stop clear of the site, and complete one last visual check.

DO NOT MOVE THE RV UNTIL:

- All people are clear and every slide, awning, jack, step and connection is secured.
- The hitch or tow connection, brakes, lights, tires and travel path have been confirmed.

The final walkaround begins only after every utility and accessory is stored.

Adapt this checklist to your RV, campsite and manufacturers' instructions.