



# RV Maintenance Checklist

## MONTHLY

### RUN YOUR GENERATOR

Running it for at least two hours at about 50 percent load each month, or by using a fuel stabilizer for longer periods of storage.

### TOP OFF BATTERIES

Be sure to use only distilled water if you plan to top off your batteries' water levels. The minerals in tap water can diminish their life span.

### CLEAN THE A/C

Get the most of out your unit's climate-control capabilities by vacuuming and cleaning vents.

### PEEK UNDER THE HOOD

If you're driving a motorhome, look at the engine to check hoses and clamps are secure and there are no signs of leaking.

### TEST SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Make sure your smoke, carbon monoxide and other battery-powered detectors or safety equipment are working properly

### KEEP PESTS OUT

Checking under the rig for any abrading, working loose, cracked insulation or rodent access points—all they need is about ¼ inch to get in.

### CARE FOR SLIDEOUTS

Lightly re-lubricate the slideout mechanism to help them move in and out smoothly and protect against rust or corrosion. There are also dedicated sprays to help easily reinforce the seals if needed.

### CHECK YOUR SEALS

Look at exterior sealants and re-seal any voids, cracks or separation.

## SEASONAL

### DEEP CLEAN

If you winterize or store your RV long term, it's smart to perform a thorough interior cleaning once or twice a season.

### INSPECT FOR DAMAGE

Periodically inspect your RV for damage, even if it's stored. Look for any potential entry points for rodents, birds or insects and ensure they're sealed to prevent any harm.

### WAX ON

Keep your rig looking shiny and new by waxing the exterior.

### FILTER YOUR WATER

Every 6-8 weeks, pour a half cup of bleach into the freshwater tank, fill, let sit a day and run it through the lines.

### WEIGH YOUR RV

Occasionally weigh your trip-ready RV and even each individual wheel to easily identify potential problem areas in your load.

### EXAMINE YOUR TIRES

Checking tire pressure and wear and tear is a critical part of keeping your RV safe.

### CHECK YOUR SEALS

It's important to take a closer look at your exterior seals, especially roof seals, every two or three months.

### TREAT METALS

Apply a gentle lubricant to areas where metal rubs on metal like the hitch, levelling jacks or entry steps. This helps them function better and stay resistant to rust.

## YEARLY

### KEEP TRACK

It's easy to forget what you do and when, so logging it all helps you know when a certain task is due. Check the back of your Owner's Manual for a handy form.

### STAY COOL

Just like your home, it's recommended to have your heating and cooling systems professionally tuned up at least once a year.

### SERVICE BRAKES

While you should always watch for any wear on your trailer's or motorhome's brakes, we suggest having brakes professionally serviced once a year.

### TEST SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Vacuum carbon monoxide and smoke detector covers, wash them with a lightly dampened cloth, dry and test (replace if not functioning as intended). Don't spray the front panel with cleaning solutions and replace immediately if you have any issues.

### INSPECT YOUR PROPANE

Regular spot checks for connection integrity, dings, paint damage and rust are a good idea. It's also wise to have a qualified propane service representative inspect your tank and test for leaks once a year, or every 5,000 miles, whichever comes first.

### CHECK YOUR SEALS

Since seal "lifetimes" and environmental factors vary, it's recommended to review these and consider resealing the key exterior areas of your RV. We recommend checking out these tips on maintenance for sealants.

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