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MONACO COACH CORPORATION MOTORHOME LIMITED WARRANTY

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What the Period of Coverage Is:

If you use your Monaco motorhome only for recreational travel and family camping purposes, the Limited Warranty provided by Monaco Coach Corporation ("Warrantor") covers your new motorhome when sold by an authorized dealer, for twelve (12) months from the original retail purchase date or the first 24,000 miles of use, whichever occurs first. However, the Limited Warranty provided by Warrantor covers the steel or aluminum frame structure of the sidewalls (excluding slide outs), roof, and rear and front walls for sixty (60) months from the original retail purchase date or the first 50,000 miles of use, whichever comes first.

If you use your motorhome for any rental, commercial or business purposes whatsoever, the Limited Warranty provided by Warrantor covers your new motorhome when sold by an authorized dealer for ninety (90) days from the original retail purchase date or the first 24,000 miles of use, whichever occurs first. In addition, the Limited Warranty provided by Warrantor covers the steel or aluminum frame structure of the sidewalls (excluding slide outs), roof, and rear and front walls for twelve (12) months from the original purchase date or the first 24,000 miles of use, whichever comes first. A conclusive presumption that your motorhome has been used for commercial and/or business purposes arises if you have filed a federal or state tax form claiming any business tax benefit related to your ownership of the motorhome.

The above Limited Warranty coverage applies to all owners, including subsequent owners, of the motorhome. However, a subsequent owner must submit a warranty transfer form by filing the form through an authorized Monaco dealer. A subsequent owner's warranty coverage period is the remaining balance of the warranty coverage period the prior owner was entitled to under this Limited Warranty. Warranty transfer forms can be obtained by contacting the Consumer Affairs Department. There is no charge for the transfer.

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Limitations of Implied Warranties

ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARISING BY WAY OF STATE LAW, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY AND ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE TERM OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY AND ARE LIMITED IN SCOPE OF COVERAGE TO THOSE PORTIONS OF THE MOTORHOME COVERED BY THIS

LIMITED WARRANTY. There is no warranty of any nature made by Warrantor beyond that contained in this Limited Warranty. No person has authority to enlarge, amend or modify this Limited Warranty. The dealer is not the Warrantor's agent but is an independent entity. Warrantor is not responsible for any undertaking, representation or warranty made by any dealer or other person beyond those expressly set forth in this Limited Warranty. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

What the Warranty Covers

Warrantor's Limited Warranty covers defects in the manufacture of your motorhome and defects in materials used to manufacture your motorhome. Also see the section "What the Warranty Does Not Cover" set out below.

What We Will Do to Correct Problems

Warrantor will repair and/or replace, at its option, any covered defect if: (1) you notify Warrantor or one of its authorized servicing dealers of the defect within the warranty coverage period and within five (5) days of discovering the defect; and (2) you deliver your Motorhome to Warrantor or Warrantor's authorized servicing dealer at your cost and expense. It is reasonable to expect some service items to occur during the warranty period.

Warrantor may use new and/or remanufactured parts and/or components of substantially equal quality to complete any repair.

Defects and/or damage to interior and exterior surfaces, trim, upholstery and other appearance items may occur at the factory during manufacture, during delivery of the motorhome to the selling dealer or on the selling dealer's lot. Normally, any such defect or damage is detected and corrected at the factory or by the selling dealer during the inspection process performed by the Warrantor and the selling dealer. If, however, you discover any such defect or damage when you take delivery of the motorhome, you must notify your dealer or Warrantor within five days of the date of purchase to have repairs performed to the defect at no cost to you as provided by this Limited Warranty.

If two or more unsuccessful repair attempts have been made to correct any covered defect that you believe substantially impairs the value, use or safety of your motorhome, you must, to the extent permitted by law, notify Warrantor directly in writing of the failure to successfully repair the defect so that Warrantor can become directly involved in performing a successful repair to the identified defect.

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How to Get Service

The Warranty Registration form must be returned to Warrantor promptly upon purchase to assure proper part replacement or repair and to activate your Limited Warranty. For warranty service simply contact one of Warrantor's authorized service centers for an appointment, then deliver your motorhome (at your expense) to the service center. If you need assistance in locating an authorized warranty service facility, contact Warrantor's Warranty Department (1-877-466-6226). The mailing address is:

MONACO COACH CORPORATION

Attention: Warranty Department 92320 Coburg Industrial Way Coburg, Oregon 97408

In the event the motorhome is inoperative due to malfunction of a warranted part, Warrantor will pay the cost of having the motorhome towed to the nearest authorized repair facility provided you notify Warrantor prior to incurring the towing charges to receive directions to the nearest repair facility.

Because Warrantor does not control the scheduling of service work by its authorized servicing dealers, you may encounter some delay in scheduling and/or in the completion of the repairs.

This Limited Warranty does not cover: any motorhome sold or registered outside of the United States or Canada; items which are added or changed after the motorhome leaves Warrantor's possession; items that are working as designed but which you are unhappy with because of the design; normal wear and usage, such as fading or discoloration of fabrics, or the effects of condensation inside the motorhome; defacing, scratching, dents and chips on any surface or fabric of the motorhome, not caused by Warrantor; routine maintenance, including by way of example wheel alignments; the automotive chassis and power train, including, by way of example the engine, drive train, steering and handling, braking, wheel balance, muffler, tires, tubes, batteries and gauges; appliances and components covered by their own manufacturer's warranty including, by way of example the microwave, refrigerator, ice maker, stove, oven, generator, roof air conditioners, hydraulic jacks, VCR, television(s), water heater, furnace, stereo, radio, compact disc player, washer, dryer, inverter and cellular phone; or flaking, peeling and chips or other defects or damage in or to the exterior or finish caused by rocks or other road hazards, the environment including airborne pollutants, salt, tree sap and hail.

What the Warranty Does Not Cover

Events Discharging Warrantor from Obligation Under Warranty

Misuse or neglect, accidents, unauthorized alteration, failure to provide reasonable and necessary maintenance (See Owner's Manual), damage caused by off road use, collision, fire, theft, vandalism, explosions, overloading, and odometer tampering shall discharge Warrantor from any express or implied warranty obligation to repair any resulting defect.

Disclaimer of Consequential & Incidental Damages

THE ORIGINAL PURCHASER OF THE MOTORHOME AND ANY PERSON TO WHOM THE MOTORHOME IS TRANSFERRED, AND ANY PERSON WHO IS AN INTENDED OR UNINTENDED USER OR BENEFICIARY OF THE MOTORHOME, SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO RECOVER FROM WARRANTOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ANY DEFECT IN THE MOTORHOME. THE EXCLUSION OF CONSEQUENTIAL AND INCIDENTAL DAMAGES SHALL BE DEEMED INDEPENDENT OF, AND SHALL SURVIVE, ANY FAILURE OF THE ESSENTIAL PURPOSE OF ANY LIMITED REMEDY. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of consequential or incidental damages, so the above exclusions may not apply to you.

Legal Remedies

ANY ACTION TO ENFORCE THIS EXPRESS OR ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY SHALL NOT BE COMMENCED MORE THAN ONE (1) YEAR AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THIS WARRANTY. Some states do not allow the reduction in the statute of limitations, so the above reduction may not apply to you.

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE.

MONACO COACH CORPORATION
ATTENTION: WARRANTY DEPARTMENT
91320 COBURG INDUSTRIAL WAY
COBURG, OREGON 97408
1-877-466-6226

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In addition to this Owner's Manual you will find a Warranty Information File in your unit. This file contains valuable documents about your motorhome systems and equipment. Many of the component manufacturer's warranty registration cards can be found in the box. They will need to be filled out and mailed. Be sure you read and understand all the information in this file to help you safely operate, maintain and troubleshoot those items.



MONACO COACH CORPORATION FINISH

Because no two trees look alike, authentic woods vary in color and character markings such as streaks, knots and grain patterns. Since the stains may attach differently to these grain patterns, some natural light and dark areas may result. The beauty lies in these natural variations of color and grain that give each cabinet its own individual charm.

The beauty of these products are protected with a furniture-quality exterior finish. After a period of time, there may be minimal changes in the finish color as it ages in its surrounding conditions. This is an inherent characteristic of this particular finish, and the natural aging process adds to the unique appearance of the cabinetry. Due to the minor differences in tone, it may not be possible to match the finish color of existing cabinets exactly when replacing doors or adding additional cabinets at a later date.

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The foregoing is not a warning. See Monaco Coach Corporation's Limited Warranty or call Monaco Coach Corporation at (877) 466-6226 for warranty information and limitations.

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This sign indicates INSPECTION is required.



This sign indicates ASSEMBLY/INSTALLATION or DISASSEMBLY/REMOVAL is necessary.



This sign indicates the specified part requires OIL/LUBRICATION.



This sign indicates a reference to the Warranty INFORMATION FILE located within the grey box inside the motorhome

The information contained in this document is intended to reflect standard and optional equipment included in a typically equipped model at the time of delivery to the initial retail owner. Your actual unit may vary from this document as a result of optional equipment that is not generally offered on this model. In the case that you are not the initial retail owner of this unit, this document will not reflect modifications that may have been performed by previous owner.

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INTRODUCTION

This section contains warranty information and knowledge for the operation and care of the motorhome. Not all information may be applicable to your model of motorhome. More detailed information with **CAUTION or WARNING** instructions, other than what is found in this chapter, can be found in the manufacturer's owner manuals located in the owner information box.

In time you will develop a knack for spotting wonderful little roadside locations by turning off the main highway and exploring. There are many modern recreational vehicle parks (including state, county and federal parks) with good facilities where you can obtain hook-ups for electrical, water and sewage connections. Directories are published which describe these parks and the availability of services and hook-ups. On overnight or weekend trips, chances are you will probably not fill up the sewage holding tanks, deplete the water or LP-Gas supply, or run down the batteries which supply the living area with 12 Volt DC current. On longer trips, when you have stayed where sewer connections and utility hook-ups were not available, it will be necessary to stop occasionally to empty the holding tanks and replenish the water and LP-Gas supply.

Many gas stations have installed sanitary dumping stations. Publications are available which list these dumping stations. When stopped for the night the Lapalma motorhome is built to be safely parked in any spot that is relatively level and where the ground is firm. Try to pick as level a parking spot as possible. Your facilities are with you and the motorhome is fully self-contained.

The safety alert symbols of **CAUTION** or **WARNING** are "Personal Safety Instructions." It is important to thoroughly read and understand these safety instructions where the symbols are displayed throughout the manual. Failure to comply with specific instructions may result in personal injury or death. Many instructions are required by National Safety Associations.

Only by ensuring your confidence and satisfaction with our products and services can we have continued success as a manufacturer of motorhomes. We believe a good relationship with our customers is just as important as improving the technical excellence of our products. Your authorized dealer is pleased to help you with instructions about your motorhome and to offer service when you need it. If problems remain after you have consulted your dealer you are invited to contact our Consumer Affairs Department. Please have all pertinent information (serial numbers, model number, etc.) when calling. We will work with the dealer and see that every attempt to resolve the matter is made.

Customer Service Department Monaco Coach Corporation 91320 Coburg Industrial Way Coburg, Oregon 97408 877-466-6226 **CUSTOMER RELATIONS**

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REPORTING SAFETY DEFECTS

If you believe that your motorhome has a defect which could cause a crash or could cause injury or death, you should immediately inform the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in addition to notifying Monaco Coach Corporation. If NHTSA receives similar complaints, it may open an investigation, and if it finds that a safety defect exists in a group of motorhomes, it may order a recall or remedy campaign. However, NHTSA cannot become involved in individual problems between you, your dealer or Monaco Coach Corporation. To contact NHTSA you may either call the Auto Safety Hot line toll-free at 1-800-424-9393 (or 1-202-366-0123 in the Washington D.C. area) or write to:

NHTSA U.S. Department of Transportation 400 Seventh Street Washington, DC 20590

TAKING DELIVERY Monaco Coach Corporation Responsibilities

Your motorhome has been manufactured to the highest quality and standards by factory trained personnel. Quality inspections are performed throughout the manufacturing process of your motorhome. The motorhome has been carefully and almost completely hand assembled in our factory. Prior to the motorhome arriving at the dealership, all systems have been carefully tested and inspected to ensure optimum performance. The necessary forms and required manuals have been placed in the motorhome at the time of shipment to the dealership.

Dealer Responsibilities

The dealer must perform additional pre-delivery inspections and system checks, assist in the customer's understanding of the Limited Warranty and assist in completing any necessary forms. They must do a customer orientation to the motorhome, its systems, components and their operation.

The dealer should also ensure the customer receives a complete Owner's Packet with warranty cards and registrations for the motorhome and for separately warranted products, including detailed operating and maintenance instructions. The dealer is responsible for performing a review of the Limited Warranty provisions with the customer, while stressing the importance of mailing warranty cards and registrations to the manufacturers within the prescribed time limit to avoid loss of warranty coverage. They must assist the customer in completing these forms and locating serial numbers. They should request that the customer reads all warranty information when possible and explain any provision not clearly understood.

The dealer should instruct the customer on how to obtain local and out-of-town service on the motorhome and its various individual warranted components, whether the service is warrantable or out of warranty.

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As a new motorhome owner you are responsible for regular and proper maintenance. This will help you prevent conditions arising from neglect that are not covered by your Monaco Coach Corporation Limited Warranty. Maintenance services should be performed in accordance with this Owner's Manual, and any other applicable manuals. As the owner, it is your responsibility and obligation to return the motorhome to an authorized dealer for repairs and service (see the Limited Warranty). Since the authorized dealer where you purchased your new motorhome is responsible for its proper servicing before delivery, and has an interest in your continued satisfaction, we recommend that Inspection, Warranty and Maintenance Services be performed by the dealership. We suggest that you take your new motorhome on a weekend shakedown before leaving on an extended trip.

Customer Responsibilities

Know when to take your motorhome in for service. Give some thought to the appointment time. There are several things to consider when selecting a time for service. Location of the service center and the time of year can be a major issue. Monday and Friday are busy days for most dealers. Therefore, it makes sense to make a mid-week appointment whenever possible. Ask your dealer if additional time is needed for check in and completion of paperwork.

SERVICE SUGGESTIONS

If you are having warranty work done, be sure to have your warranty registration papers with you. All work to be performed may not be covered by the warranty; be sure to discuss additional charges with the service manager. Keep a maintenance log of your motorhome service history. This can often provide a clue to the current problem.

Prepare for the Appointment

Make a written list of specific repairs needed. It is important the service manager be aware of all previous work which has been done on your motorhome. For example: if the motorhome has been repaired due to an accident. While this may not seem important, it could have a significant effect on the dealer's diagnosis of a problem.

Prepare a List

Don't leave a list of 20 items to be serviced and expect to have the motorhome back by 5:00 p.m. If you list a number of items, and must have your motorhome back by the end of the day, discuss the situation with the service manager and list items in order of priority. Some items may not be able to be repaired due to work loads or parts availability. Expect to make a second appointment for work not completed or for the long, drawn-out repair item.

Be Reasonable With Your Requests

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No Looking Over the Technicians Shoulder

Please don't be offended when you are told you cannot watch the work being done. Many service area insurance requirements forbid the admission of customers into the service work area.

Inspect the Work Properly

Check out the service or repair job when you pick up your motorhome and notify the service manager of any dissatisfaction. If circumstances prevent returning for immediate corrective work, make an appointment as soon as possible.

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FOR YOUR OWN REFERENCE

OWNER'S RECORD - SERIAL NUMBERS



Refer to the Manufacturer's individual Owner's Manuals for serial number locations that are not listed below.

Motorhome Serial Number
Motorhome Federal Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
Door Key Number
Range Model & Serial Number
(Located under top burner plate)
Microwave Model & Serial Number
(Located behind door on case)
Refrigerator Model & Serial Number
(Located inside refrigerator compartment)
Generator Model & Serial Number
(Located in outside compartment on generator)
Roof Air Conditioner Model & Serial Number
(Located under top cover on air conditioner)

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Item	Serial Number	Value
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OWNER'S RECORD - INSURANCE

Company:
Policy #:
Agent's Name & Address:
Business Phone #:
Emergency Phone #:
Renewal Date(s):
Notes:

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Air Conditioner

Dometic Corp. 219-463-4858 www.dometic.com

Awnings

Carefree 800-338-2378 www.carefreeofcolorado.com

Batteries

Interstate 800-272-6548 www.interstatebatteries.com

Carbon Monoxide Detector

Safe-T-Alert 800-383-0269 www.safe-t-alert.com

Cooktop

Atwood Mobile Products 800-873-4328 www.atwoodmobile.com

Dash Radio

Kenwood 800-536-9663 www.kenwoodusa.com

Entry Step

Kwikee 800-736-9961 www.kwikee.com

Fan - Bathroom Exhaust

Fan-Tastic Vent 800-395-4045 www.fantasticvent.com

Fire Extinguisher

The Fire Extinguisher Co. 919-563-4911

Generator

Onan 800-888-6626 www.onan.com

Heat - Furnace

Atwood Mobile Products 800-873-4328 www.atwoodmobile.com

Hitch Receiver

Hidden Hitch of America 800-632-3290 www.hiddenhitch.com

Leveling Jacks - Hydraulic

Power Gear 800-334-4712 www.powergear.com

Liquefied Petroleum Protectors

MTI Industries, Inc. 800-383-0269 www.mtiindustries.com

LP Tank

Manchester Tank 800-877-8265 www.mantank.com

Microwave

Sharp Electronics Corp. 800-237-4277 www.sharp-usa.com

Rear Vision System

Sony 800-222-7669 www.sony.com

Refrigerator

Norcold 800-543-1219 www.norcold.com

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Slide-Out Motor - Bedroom

Power Gear 800-334-4712 www.powergear.com

Slide-Out Motor - Living Room

Power Gear 800-334-4712 www.powergear.com

Television/VCR

RCA 800-336-1900

Television Antenna

Winegard 319-754-0600 www.winegard.com

Toilet

Sealand 800-321-9886 www.sealandtechnology.com

Water Filtration

Everpure 630-654-4000 www.everpure.com/consumer/rv

Water Heater

Atwood Mobile Products 800-873-4328 www.atwoodmobile.com

Water Pump

Shurflo 800-762-8994 www.shurflo.com

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This section contains information on driving tips, emergency situations, towing, safety devices, weighing the motorhome and tires.

There are significant differences between a passenger automobile and your new motorhome. You should always be aware of these differences when traveling. The key for safely operating the motorhome is inspection. Any defect found could result in problems on the road that can result in lost time and money. There are several states that require the motorhome be inspected prior to registration. Know and observe the laws where you will be traveling as they may vary from state to state. A systematic inspection conducted prior to moving the motorhome will ensure nothing is overlooked. An inspection process assists you in becoming familiar with the motorhome. Prior to moving the motorhome begin a general inspection by examining the condition and area around the motorhome for hazards. Look high and low when walking around the motorhome.

DRIVING SAFETY - Inspections



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The location of the driver's seat in the motorhome is higher and further to the left giving a different perspective of the roadway. Rely on the outside mirrors to line up with the center of the road and to check the conditions behind you. The dashboard may contain more gauges and controls than are normally found in passenger automobiles. Become familiar with these gauges and what they are indicating before starting out.

Familiarize Yourself

All occupants must be furnished with and use seat belts while the motorhome is moving. The driver's seat and all other seats designed to carry passengers while the motorhome is in motion are equipped with safety seat belts. While traveling, do not occupy beds or any seats that do not have a safety belt. Seat belts must only be used on permanently mounted seats. The driver's seat must be locked in the forward facing position while motorhome is in motion. Do not use a seat belt on more than one person. To fasten the seat belt, pull the belt out of the retractors and insert the tab into the buckle; you will hear a click when the tab locks into the buckle. Seat belt lengths automatically adjust to your size and sitting position. Do not route belts over armrest.





WARNING: Seats must be pointed in a forward position and seat belts fastened while the motorhome is in motion. Avoid seat rotation while in transit. Children must not be transported unrestrained. Infants must be placed in approved safety seats. Small children must be restrained in child safety seats. Failure to comply with these rules can cause injury or death.

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Tips for Driving

The motorhome is a complex vehicle and requires an increased level of driving awareness and attention because of its size and various components. Due to the motorhome length the turning radius will be much wider than that of a standard automobile. Always pay close attention to all perimeters of the motorhome: front, sides, rear, roof and undercarriage, being sure the surrounding area is clear of any obstacles. Utilize the driving mirrors to observe traffic and parts of the motorhome: tires, bay doors, blind spots, etc. Use a push-pull method of steering, with both hands parallel on the steering wheel. The motorhome is also heavier than an automobile, with a higher center of gravity. These factors affect the reaction time of the motorhome. Swerves and sharp turns, especially performed at high speeds, could result in the loss of control of the motorhome. Keep the size of the motorhome in mind and drive with extra caution to avoid situations which might require quick momentum changes. Increase your reaction time by paying attention to traffic and road conditions 12-15 seconds ahead.

The motorhome will travel safely and comfortably at highway speed limits. However, it takes more time to reach highway speed. When passing another vehicle, allow extra time and space to complete the pass due to the added length of the motorhome. When descending a long hill, the transmission and engine will help control downhill speed and can extend the service life of the brake lining. The distance required to stop the motorhome is greater than an automobile. The brakes are designed for the (GVWR) Gross Vehicle Weight Rating. Practice stopping away from traffic to get the "feel" of the distance required to stop the motorhome.

When backing up, have the co-pilot stand at the road side rear corner so the co-pilot remains visible in the driver's rear view mirror. The co-pilot can watch for any obstacles and give hand signals during the backing up process. When traveling, make sure bridges being crossed can support the weight of the motorhome. Check the tonnage limit of the bridges before crossing them. Signs should be posted at bridge entrances. Check the posted height of any overpass or situation where overhead clearances are limited. Keep in mind, road surfaces may have been repaved or become packed with snow and therefore, the actual posted clearance height would not apply in such conditions.

Driving Cautions:

- Avoid getting too close to the edge of the road. A soft shoulder may not support the weight of the motorhome.
- Side spacing is best maintained by keeping the motorhome centered in the driving lane.
- Driving lanes in work zones can be uneven, congested and narrower than usual.
- Be cautious of road debris, it can damage the undercarriage of the motorhome or become lodged in the dual tires, causing damage to the tires, wheel rims or tow car.
- Keep in consideration that posted speed signs are passenger automobile rated.
 Pay close attention to driving conditions and appropriate speeds for motorhomes, especially on corners and mountainous roads.

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- Downgrade speed should be at least 5 mph less than the upgrade speed, or the downgrade speed should be attainable within three seconds of a brake application.
- Use a four second rule when following other vehicles at speeds under 40 mph. Use a five second rule when following at speeds over 40 mph.

Right Turns:

The right hand turn can be an intimidating turn which requires negotiation. Many drivers fear they can not make the turn without turning into the other lane or jumping the curb. Here are a few tips:

- As the turn approaches look into the mirror to ensure the lane to the left is clear, then move wide, over to the left.
- When you are about to make the turn the left rear wheel should touch the centerline of the road and your hips should be parallel to the roadside curb of the corner being turned. This will help aid in avoiding a premature turn.
- Make the turn slowly.
- Check mirrors frequently being aware of the necessary clearance and space management while negotiating the turn.

Left Turns:

• Do not start the turn until the center of the intersection is reached with your hips. If there are two lanes available, take the right hand lane. A car or driver on the left hand side is easier seen.

Night Driving:

- As always be well rested and alert when driving. If necessary, find a safe stopping place to rest until ready to continue.
- Avoid using any interior lights while driving. They can create a glare on the windshield, decreasing visibility.
- Dim the dash lights to a comfortable level to reduce the level of glare.

Extreme Heat and Hot Weather Conditions:

- Observe all gauges more frequently. Variations from the normal conditions should be evaluated promptly.
- Check tire pressure more frequently when traveling in hot conditions. Tire air pressure increases with heat. It is not advisable to let air out of a hot tire. When the tires cool down they will return to the correct/previous tire pressure.
- Pay extra attention to hoses and belts which are more susceptible to fatigue in extreme heat.

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Winter and Cold Climate Conditions:

- The motorhome should be prepared for Cold Weather Use.
- Keep speeds slow and steady, make moves gradually and increase your visual distance for a gain in reaction time.
- If the road or weather conditions are treacherous, find a safe stopping place and wait for conditions to improve.
- Wipers should be in good condition and the washer reservoir should have sufficient window wash fluid that has an antifreeze included within it.
- Use the mirror heat to keep the mirrors clear.
- Remove any ice build-up from the entry step to avoid any accidental slipping.

Wet Conditions:

- The risk of hydroplaning is increased if tires are worn or improperly inflated.
- Be aware that heavy rain or deep standing water can affect brake application causing them to apply unevenly or grab.

Refueling:

- Truck stops are good refueling points for motorhomes.
- Be aware of which side the fuel port is on. There may not be adequate space to move around the parking lot in order to reposition for the pump.
- Check overhead clearance before pulling through the fuel island.
- Be aware of the concrete/steel posts installed around the fuel island.
- Avoid running over the fuel hose, it can get hung up on the motorhome and cause body damage.



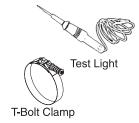
WARNING: Avoid the risk of fire or explosion. Turn off all pilot lights and appliances before refueling.

PRE-TRIP PREPARATION

Before departure several items will need to be prepared. Items to pack. Preparing the motorhome for travel. Making facility arrangements or just dry camping along the way. Listed below is a general checklist which may be used as a guide when preparing to depart



- Local, State and National Maps. Available are truck atlases showing maps, refueling stations and truck repairing facilities.
- Flashlight.
- Emergency Road Kit.
- 12 Volt DC test light. May be helpful when on the phone with a technician
- Battery hydrometer, to check battery electrolyte.



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- An assortment of spare fuses.
- A spare alternator belt.
- A variety of assorted handtools.

Driving Preparations:

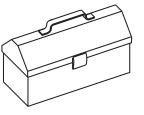
- Check operation of all exterior lights, headlamp, taillight, brake and clearance lights.
- Inspect fluid level and check tire pressure.
- Check house battery condition.
- Secure all awning locks.
- Check items in storage bays to prevent shifting or damage to items.
- Outside compartment doors should be closed and locked.
- Look around, above and under the motorhome for obstructions.
- Check fuel level gauge. Check all other dash gauges for operation and correct level indications.

Engine Checklist:

- Inspect the engine, transmission and the engine compartment for fluid leaks.
- Inspect the area under the motorhome for fluid leaks or puddles.
- Check all fluid levels, oil, antifreeze, transmission, hydraulic fluid and washer fluid.
- Inspect belts and hoses for wear.
- Inspect wiring for loose, frayed or corroded connections.
- Start engine and listen for any unusual noises.

Interior:

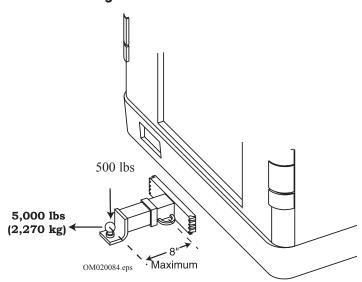
- If possible, start refrigerator operation the night before departure to get a head start on the cooling process. Pre-cool items prior to loading the refrigerator.
- Fill the fresh water tank. Disconnect and store the fresh water hose.
- If necessary, load pots, pans, utensils, soap, linens, etc.
- Secure and fasten the bi-fold and pocket doors. Lock the shower door.
- Close roof vents and windows.
- Secure any loose, heavy or sharp objects in case of a sudden stop.
- Close all cabinet doors and drawers.
- Walk the interior and check for items not secured.
- Turn interior lighting off.
- Secure and lock the entry door for travel.



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HITCH - Using the Rear Receiver



When using the rear hitch remember that the motorhome is intended for towing light loads. The motorhome is designed to be used primarily as a recreational vehicle. Towing will affect durability and economy. Your safety and satisfaction require proper use. Avoid excessive loads or any other abuse. Do not use the motorhome to tow anything until it has been driven 500 miles (800 kilometers). Weight pushing down on the rear hitch must not exceed 500 pounds. We recommend weighing the motorhome as it will be operated to be certain that there is proper weight distribution. When weighing the motorhome be sure to take the passenger locations into consideration. Total weight of the motorhome and any vehicle towed by it must not exceed the GCWR.



WARNING: Any trailer being towed by a motorhome must have adequate brakes. Failure to follow these instructions will create a safety hazard and may result in an accident.

Tow Plug Connection

The motorhome is prewired with a trailer wire harness. The harness is located on or near the hitch receiver. Convoluted tubing protects the tow harness wires until they are ready for use. Current draw should not exceed ten amps for each designated circuit.

The tow harness wires are color coded:

- 1. Brown, 12 gauge tail lights.
- 2. White, 12 gauge ground.
- 3. Black, 14 gauge right turn signal.
- 4. Yellow, 14 gauge left turn signal.
- 5. Black w/white stripe, 14 gauge brake light.

When hooking up a tow plug connection you should strip the wires 3/8". Twist the wire and place under the clip and secure the screw. Make sure there are no loose strands of wire which could short against the case or other terminals.

REAR VIEW SYSTEM (Optional)

The motorhome can be equipped with a rear vision and voice system. The factory will provide the wiring behind the dash and at the rear cap for future installation. The rear vision system consists of a camera with a microphone and a monitor.

The driver can see what is behind the motorhome with the ability to listen to guided assistant. This is useful during backing procedures. The rear vision system will automatically turn ON when the gear selector is placed in reverse. Turning the main power switch to ON will allow continuous operation of the rear vision system when the ignition key is turned ON.



For more detailed instructions see the manufacturer's manual.

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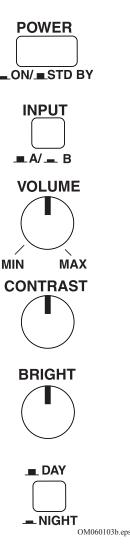
System Features Overview (Optional):

The system is designed to provide the driver with a view of the rear of the motorhome. The field of view is 140° in the diagonal plane, 121° in the horizontal plane and 90° in the vertical plane. Power will be supplied to the system when the ignition key is turned to the **Accessory** or **ON** position. The **LED** will illuminate. The display on the monitor is controlled by the position of the power switch. When in the **ON** position the display is present. When placed in the **STD BY** (Standby) position the display is off until the gear shift lever is set to Reverse.

Monitor Controls:

- Power Switch The switch in the ON (in) position turns on the monitor for viewing. The LED indicator will illuminate. When the switch is STD BY (out) the monitor is in a standby mode of operation. The LED will remain illuminated when the ignition is ON. The monitor will display rear viewing when the transmission is shifted to Reverse.
- **Input** This switch should be left in the **A** (out) position. **B** (in) position is not used in the motorhome.
- **Volume** Clockwise rotation will increase the volume level. Counterclockwise rotation will decrease the volume level.
- Contrast Control Clockwise rotation will increase the picture contrast. Counterclockwise rotation will decrease the picture contrast.
- **Bright Control** Clockwise rotation will increase the picture brightness. Counterclockwise rotation will decrease the picture brightness.
- **Day/Night** This switch should be left in the **DAY** (out) position for normal viewing. When set to the **NIGHT** (in) picture brightness is reduced. **NIGHT** should be used for night viewing and driving through tunnels.

The camera angle may be adjusted to display a suitable rear view. The camera housing cover will need to be removed to gain access to the hexagon mounting bolts. The mounting bolts can be repositioned to the desired angle. Refasten the camera housing cover and seal using an appropriate sealant.



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BACKING UP A MOTORHOME

Whether you are a long time owner of recreational vehicles, or just starting out, backing up can be a challenge. Following some simple guidelines may help reduce the challenge. When backing up the driver (pilot) should be comfortable using the mirrors, the back-up camera and the co-pilot's directions (ground guide) for assistance. Practice first, backing up with the co-pilot's guidance in a large unobstructed parking lot. It is a team effort.

The backing up process should begin while the motorhome is in forward motion. Maneuver the motorhome to align it with the chosen site. This allows straight alignment with the site. Aligning the motorhome with the site after the backing process begins will require considerably more room than an automobile and may require more than one attempt. When the motorhome is properly aligned with the site the parking area will be visible in both mirrors. Use straight lines, such as road markings, as reference points when possible.

If the destination does not have "pull-through" sites try to pick a solid, level site. If possible pick a site located on the left side. This is the preferred side. The driver will have a better field of vision by using the roadside mirror. If the site is on the right side the driver will have to use the curbside mirror for backing up, which leaves a blind spot. When a potential site is spotted stop the motorhome before the site. Get out and observe the area for soft ground, posts, large rocks, low hanging limbs or other obstacles. If the site meets the particular criteria, prepare to back in carefully. Have the co-pilot guide you using the five hand signals.

The co-pilot will perform just as important a job as the driver. When guiding the driver the co-pilot should be located safely at the left rear corner of the motorhome, facing forward, while remaining visible in the road side mirror at all times. The co-pilot should make a conscious effort to maintain sight of the driver through the road side mirror as the front of the motorhome maneuvers. If the driver loses sight of the co-pilot, stop the backing up process until the co-pilot returns to view. To avoid mishaps the co-pilot should be focused only on what the driver is doing, with brief observation moments. The driver should receive directions only from the co-pilot. If necessary, stop the backing up process to have co-pilot inspect other areas or angles of concern. Use of walkie-talkies will aid in guidance.

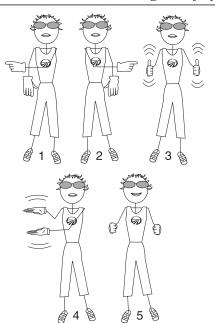
When co-pilot is guiding the driver, only five clearly defined signals should be used with only one signal given at a time. Flailing arms with indecisive signals only confuse the driver. Signals should be given with purpose and confidence. Directional signals are directing travel of the rear of the motorhome.

If desired direction is left, the co-pilot points left. For example: The co-pilot will use his/her right arm and forefinger pointing distinctly left with arm and finger held on a horizontal plane, indicating desired direction of travel of the rear of the motorhome. This type of directional signal is easily discerned in the mirror by the driver. The directional signal given will remain steady until desired movement is completed.

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The five directional signals are:

- 1. Co-pilot uses left hand and arm held horizontal with forefinger pointing right to direct rear of motorhome to the right.
- 2. Co-pilot uses right hand and arm held horizontal with forefinger pointing left to direct rear of motorhome to the left.
- 3. Co-pilot uses both arms and hands parallel with thumbs pointing up and to rear in a waving vertical motion. This signals driver to maintain a straight back direction.
- 4. Co-pilot holds arms vertically, hands open with palms facing one another. Start with a wide separation, gradually closing distance of hands, in a rate appropriate to vehicle speed to indicate amount of distance to stop point.
- 5. Closed fists indicates STOP.



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Backing Up Trailers:

Trailers have only one pivot point. Trailers may be backed up. Towed vehicles using a tow bar or tow dolly have more than one pivoting point which makes this type of equipment not suitable for backing. If using this type of towing equipment, plan ahead. Park safely along the road and walk a distance if necessary to avoid a possible back up situation. Avoid putting the motorhome and tow vehicle in a backing situation. To back up this combination completely disconnect the tow vehicle from motorhome. Trying to back up the motorhome with a tow vehicle connected will result in damage to the motorhome, tow vehicle and towing device.

The same rules for backing a motorhome may be applied when backing a trailer. When preparing to back a trailer into a space maneuver the motorhome sweeping wide, then turn back to the opposite direction. This will set the motorhome and trailer in a position to maneuver the trailer into space. When backing a trailer the driver may become disoriented with the direction of the steering wheel and the direction of the trailer. The bottom of the steering wheel must be moved in the desired direction of the trailer. For example: If the desired direction of the trailer is left, rotate the bottom of the steering wheel left. If the trailer moves in an undesired direction, use a short "pull-up" method, pulling forward just far enough to align the trailer with the space. The co-pilot should stand safely at the left rear corner of the trailer within view of the driver in the driver side mirror using the five hand signals for guiding.

The motorhome parking brake is a foot pedal brake which operates in the same manner as an automobile parking brake. When at a complete stop, select "P" on the shift lever, then engage the foot pedal brake. The brake is released by the "brake release" handle, located below the lower left area of the dash.

Brake - Parking

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CAUTION: Tow bars or car dollies generally are made to travel in a forward direction only. Most towing equipment of this type is not designed for backing. Never attempt short back up distances with a tow bar or tow dolly. Damage to the motorhome, vehicle or towing device will result.

LEVELING SYSTEM (Optional)

The hydraulic leveling system is designed as a leveling system only. The leveling system should not be used to support the motorhome while under coach or for changing tires. A tire change should be performed by trained personnel with the proper tools and equipment. Attempts to change tires using the leveling jack to support the motorhome could result in damage to the motorhome and risk causing serious personal injury.

Before Operation of the Leveling Jacks

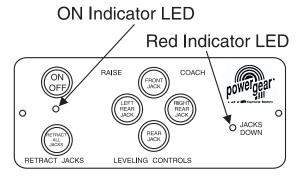
The leveling system shall only be operated under the following conditions:

- The motorhome is parked on a reasonable level surface.
- The **PARKING BRAKE** must be engaged.
- The transmission must be in the **NEUTRAL** or **PARK** position.
- The ignition switch is placed in the **IGN** position.

Ensure the potential jack contact points are clear of obstructions or depressions before operation.

Keep all people clear of the motorhome during the leveling system operations. Never expose hands or other parts of the body near hydraulic leaks. Hydraulic lines are under high pressure. Oil leaks may cut and penetrate the skin causing serious injury.

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- Ensure all conditions have been met to operate the leveling system.
- Press the ON/OFF label on the control panel. The ON/OFF label will illuminate indicating the system is now operational.
- Should the **ON/OFF** label not illuminate, verify all conditions have been met.
- Press the **FRONT JACK** label until the jack contacts with ground. This will be felt in the motorhome.
- The **FRONT JACK** and **REAR JACK** labels will be used to achieve a center in the level vial which is pointed front to rear of the motorhome. The air bubble will indicate the high side of the motorhome. Press the button that is opposite the air bubble in level vial (i.e. if bubble is towards front of coach press the **REAR JACK** label). Keep label pressed until the air bubble is centered in vial.

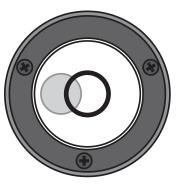
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LEVEL INDICATOR

• The air bubble in the level indicator indicates the high side of the motorhome. Push the button opposite of the bubble, either LEFT or RIGHT REAR JACK, to level the motorhome.(i.e. If the bubble is towards left of the coach push RIGHT REAR JACK). Keep the label depressed until the bubble is centered in the vial.



NOTE: Right and left rear jacks are used to level the motorhome side to side. Pushing the "LEFT REAR JACK" label on the control panel will extend the left rear jack. Pushing the "RIGHT REAR JACK" label on the control panel will extend the right rear jack. There is no individual control for right or left front jacks.



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Retract the

Leveling Jacks

Park the motorhome on reasonable solid surface. The jacks may sink into ground on extremely soft surfaces. A load distribution pad or block may be placed under each jack. The system is not designed to lift the wheels off the ground. Doing so may create an unstable condition.

- Place the ignition switch in **IGN** position.
- Push **ON/OFF** label on. See first step of leveling.
- Push **RETRACT ALL JACKS** label. All jacks will start to retract and return to full retract position. When all jacks return to full retract position the **JACKS DOWN** light will go out.



NOTE: If you wish to stop jacks from retracting turn system OFF and back ON. You can then re-level the motorhome by following the steps under "Leveling the Motorhome."

• When the **JACKS DOWN** light goes out push **ON/OFF** label on control panel to de-energize the system. Perform a brief visual inspection around the motorhome to verify that all jacks are fully retracted. You may then proceed to travel.

When the ignition switch is set to the **RUN** position with the jacks extended, should the transmission be taken out of neutral or park or when the park brake is released, the **JACKS DOWN** indicator will light and the alarm beeper will activate. The system will then automatically retract all jacks until jacks are fully retracted or the park brake is reset and the transmission shifted back to **PARK** or **NEUTRAL**.

Drive Away Protection System

- Change the fluid every 36 months.
- Check the fluid level every month. The fluid level should be within ¼ inch of fill port lip and checked when all the jacks retracted.
- Inspect and clean all hydraulic pump electrical connections every 12 months.
- Remove dirt and road debris from the jacks as needed.

Leveling Jacks Maintenance

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• If the jacks are down for extended periods it is recommended to spray exposed chrome with automatic transmission fluid every seven days for protection.

In most applications, the Type A automatic transmission fluid is adequate. If operating in cold temperature (less than 10-F°) the jacks may extend and retract at a slower rate.



WARNING: Never rely solely upon warning lights or warning buzzer to determine position of leveling jacks. Make a visual check to ensure all jacks are fully retracted prior to moving the motorhome.

For cold weather operation, fluids specially-formulated for low temperatures may be desirable. Consult factory for recommended cold weather fluid.

- Useable Reservoir Capacity = 1.2 gal.
- 4-Jack System Capacity = 2.4 gal. (approx.)

CHECKLIST -SET-UP PROCEDURES

If the site for the motorhome has full hook-ups, use this quick reference hook-up checklist. This hook-up list is only a guide. For detailed information look in the section pertaining to the item of interest.

- Prepare the shore cord to be plugged in. Uncoil and inspect the cord. Perform any necessary cord maintenance. Install proper electrical adapters if anything other than 50 amp service is provided. Turn power supply circuit breaker **off** before plugging in the shore cord.
- If cable TV service is provided hook a 75 Ohm or RG6 cable to the cable connection in the service center. If the motorhome has a video selector box press the **CABLE VIEW** button for item desired.
- A phone jack hook-up is provided in the service center. Phone outlets are placed throughout the motorhome, including a phone line to the satellite receiver.
- Hook a potable water hose to the city water connection in the service center.
- Sewer drain pipe diameters are generally either three or four inches. Proper sewer hose adapters will ensure against leaks or spillage. With the sewer hose properly connected, open the grey water valve (small valve). The black water valve (large valve) remains closed until the tank is full or until time of departure.



NOTE: When dumping the black tank, first close the grey water valve and fill the tank 50%. Open black tank valve until the drain cycle is complete. Use a non-potable water hose when using the black tank flush system. Close the black tank valve, then open the grey water valve. Solids will be flushed from the drain hose.

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DRY CAMPING

For extended dry camping, management of all resources is essential. The motorhome has large batteries, plenty of water and large holding tank capacities. With a little care and forethought it is possible to go a long way with only the wonderful amenities you bring with you.

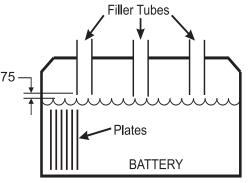
Conserve water! The motorhome holds a lot but it goes down the drain fast. Use a manual valve on the shower head. Turn the water off and on as needed while showering. By doing this the amount of water needed for a shower can be reduced by as much as two-thirds. Don't let water run in sink while doing other things such as wiping up the kitchen counters or brushing your teeth.

Conserve battery power. Use electricity sparingly. Charge the batteries when they are half down. At half charge the battery voltage will be 12.2 Volts. You can use a hydrometer for testing. A good rule of thumb is to run the generator for three to four hours daily, which should supply enough power. Never try to use batteries until they are completely dead, or when the lights "dim out." Each time the batteries are used at half charge the ability to recharge up to full capacity is diminished. The damage that occurs is cumulative and will eventually render a battery useless.

If you are in a habit of starting the engine regularly, remember that the alternator output is lower at an idle, and that even at a fast idle it may take as much as an hour to replace what it took to start up the engine. Also, realize that running the engine for a short time may increase moisture contamination in the fuel and oil. It is better to run the engine less often and run it longer, for perhaps an hour. The good news is this can be included in the battery recharge schedule.

Remember that different motorhomes have different equipment and that everyone has different habits and expectations. The above general guidelines should provide a useful starting point for building your own schedule and regimen for extended stays where power and water are not available. You too can become less dependent on hook-ups.

- Make sure to turn all appliances on propane.
- The battery cut off switch will need to be left on.
- One continuous duty solenoid is a .7 Amp draw, two solenoids will be a 1.4 Amp draw.
- A 13" TV has a 1.7 Amp draw.
- Rope lights (10 ft) are a 1.3 Amp draw.
- The porch light is a 2.0 Amp draw.
- One fluorescent dual bulb light is a 0.9 Amp draw.



Battery State of Charge	Spec. Gravity	Voltage
100%	1.265	12.7
75%	1.225	12.4
50%	1.190	12.2
25%	1.155	12.0
Discharged	1.120	11.9 or Less

NOTE: The distilled water level in battery should be 3/8" below the filler tube.

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BREAKING CAMP

Listed below is a checklist guide to reference when preparing to break camp. Preparing the motorhome for travel will require several small tasks. Items properly secured and stowed will help prevent items from getting lost or being damaged during travel.

Outside Checklist:

- Disconnect the cable TV, lower the television antenna and (if applicable) the satellite dish.
- Retract the awnings and secure them for travel.
- Close LP-Gas tank valve. Check the level of the LP-Gas in the tank making sure there will be a sufficient amount.
- Drain and flush the holding tanks. First close the grey water valve, run enough cold water down the sink and shower drains until the grey tank is at least 50% full. Be careful not to overfill or flood the grey tank. Next, open the black tank valve and allow the drain cycle to complete. If applicable, connect a non-potable water hose to the No-Fuss hose bib and flush the black tank system. Close the black tank valve, then open the grey water valve. The water from the grey tank will help flush the solids from the drain hose.
- Disconnect the sewer hose. Flush hose with clean water from non-potable hose. Store the hose. Install the sewer cap.
- Fill the fresh water tank. Disconnect and store the fresh water hose. Remove any hose protected water pressure regulator from the city water faucet.
- Turn shore power breaker off and disconnect the shore line. Wind up and store the shore cord.
- Disconnect and stow the phone line.
- Check tire pressure.

Engine Checklist:

- Inspect the engine, transmission and the engine compartment for fluid leaks.
- Inspect the area under the motorhome for fluid leaks or puddles.
- Check all fluid levels, oil, antifreeze, transmission, hydraulic fluid and washer fluid.
- Inspect belts and hoses for wear.
- Inspect wiring for loose, frayed or corroded connections.
- Start engine and listen for any unusual noises.

Interior Checklist:

- If applicable, retract leveling jacks.
- If applicable, clear slide room path, clean floor, move the driver seat forward and make sure bay doors are shut. When the slide room is fully retracted secure slide room awning locks for travel.

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NOTE: To operate the kitchen slide the ignition must be OFF, the park brake must be set and the bay doors under the slide room must be closed.

- Secure and fasten the bi-fold and pocket doors. Lock the shower door.
- Close roof vents and windows.
- Secure any loose, heavy or sharp objects in case of a sudden stop.
- Close all cabinet doors and drawers.
- Start engine, turn off water heater, water pump and furnace.

Departure Checklist:

- Check items in storage bays to make sure shifting or damage of items won't occur.
- Look around, above and under the motorhome for any obstructions.
- Walk around the motorhome and camp area checking for forgotten items.
- Outside compartment doors should be closed and locked.
- Check operation of all exterior lights, headlamp, tail lamp, brake and clearance light.
- Walk the interior and check for any items not secured.
- Turn interior lighting off.
- Check fuel level gauge. Check all other dash gauges for operation and correct level indications.
- Carefully pull forward out of campsite. If necessary, clean site and check for any forgotten items.
- Secure and lock the entry door for travel.

Emergency stops may be required for any number of reasons. Proper braking techniques should be used during an emergency stop. An emergency road kit should include three reflective warning signs, road flares, a flashlight, spare automotive fuses and an assortment of hand tools. For added safety an extra fire extinguisher should also be included. The motorhome is equipped with a fire extinguisher located inside next to the co-pilot seat. Road flares or a reflective warning sign should be displayed if you are along the side of the road for any length of time. Pull off the roadway as far as possible for an emergency stop. Always turn ON the motorhome's hazard warning flasher when parked along the side of traffic lanes. Set the parking brake. In the event of an emergency stop, for a mechanical or motorhome related problems, contact **Monaco Coach Corporation Customer Service Support (1-877-466-6226)**.

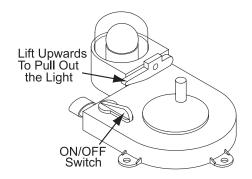
Guidelines for the placing the warning triangles depends on the road. On a divided highway or one way road the placement is 10 feet, 100 feet and 200 feet from the rear of the motorhome. On a two lane road the placement should

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be 10 feet either front or rear of the motorhome and 100 feet in both directions of the motorhome. Curves and hills can be tricky as you may have to go up to 500 feet behind the motorhome to warn approaching traffic after placing one triangle 10 feet from the rear.

Light - Retractable



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- 1. To activate the light move the switch to the ON position.
- 2. The light has an 18 foot retractable reel cord. To operate the reel lift the lever and pull the light out.
- 3. The base of the light is magnetic, allowing for hands-free operation.
- 4. To replace the bulb push down on the clear plastic cover and twist.
- 5. To rewind the light crank the handle in the retract direction. When fully retracted push down on the lock handle to secure the light into place.

Transmission - Rocking Out

It may be possible to rock the motorhome out if you are stuck in snow, mud or deep sand. Shift the selector to \mathbf{D} (Drive) and apply steady light throttle. Never apply full throttle as you may spin the wheels and bury the motorhome deeper. When the motorhome has moved forward as far it will go apply and hold the service brakes. Allow the engine to return to idle before selecting the \mathbf{R} (Reverse). Release the brake and apply light throttle until the motorhome has rocked as far it will go. Again apply the service brake and allow the engine to return to idle. Repeat this process if the motorhome has moved a greater distance. If the process does not free the motorhome call for towing assistance.



NOTE: Sudden movements or lurching the motorhome with an open throttle can result in damage to the transmission. Avoid this condition by making shifts only when the throttle is closed and engine is at normal idle.

TOWING PROCEDURES

If a towing company is called for service it is recommended that they use a lowboy/landall type of trailer and if a tow truck is used it needs to have a stinger (an arm that goes under motorhome and hooks to front cross member). Inform the tow company of the weight and length of the motorhome, number of passengers and milepost location. If the motorhome ever needs to be towed use the following directions:

- Secure any loose or protruding parts if the motorhome is damaged.
- Inspect points of attachment on a disabled motorhome. If attachment points are damaged select other attachment points at a substantial frame structural member

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- Never allow anyone to go under a motorhome while it is being lifted by towing equipment unless the disabled motorhome is adequately supported by safety stands.
- Do not tow the motorhome from the rear. Towing from the rear will cause the front tires and suspension to be seriously overloaded, possibly resulting in a tire or front suspension failure. Rear frame extensions are not designed to withstand weight loads imposed by lifting the rear of the motorhome.
- If rear wheels are disabled place the motorhome on a flat bed trailer or use a heavy duty dolly under the rear wheels and tow from the front of the motorhome.
- The drive shaft must be removed to prevent damage to the transmission.



WARNING: In the event the motorhome requires towing ensure all precautions are followed. The driveline must be disconnected and the mudflap may need to be removed. Damage to the motorhome from a towing company will not be covered by Monaco Coach Corporation.

Make sure the tow truck can safely pull the weight of the motorhome. Give the towing company the weight of the motorhome when you call them. If the motorhome is going to be towed without a stinger do the following: Towing Without A Stinger

- Wrap chains around both A-arms or the front axle on each side.
- Pass the chains beneath the tow bar below the bumper.
- Position a 6" x 6" piece of lumber between the ends of main frame rails and the tow vehicle transfer plate to maintain clearance to body parts.
- Attach safety chains, which are completely independent of the primary lifting device, to the main frame rails.
- When the motorhome is under tow, allow enough room between the front of the motorhome and the rear of the tow vehicle while turning corners.

The tire designed for the RV is a very technical and precisely engineered product. To obtain the maximum use and best service out of the tires it is helpful to understand the function of a tire. A tire is a "container" that holds air. It is the combination of air and tire that supports the motorhome and its contents. In addition, since the tire is the only contact that the motorhome has with the road surface, it must provide other functions such as traction for moving, stopping, steering and providing a cushion for the motorhome.

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The Importance of Air Pressure

The most important factor in maximizing the life of the tires is maintaining proper inflation. Driving on a tire that does not have the correct inflation pressure for the load of the motorhome is dangerous and may cause premature wear, tire damage and/or loss of control of the motorhome.

A tire that is underinflated will build up excessive heat that may go beyond the design limits of the rubber and radial cords. This could result in sudden failure. A tire that is underinflated will also cause poor motorhome handling, rapid and/or irregular tire wear and an increase in rolling resistance which results in a decrease of fuel economy.

Over-inflation will reduce the tire's "footprint" or contact patch with the road, thus reducing traction, braking capacity and handling of the motorhome. A tire that is over-inflated for the load will have a harsh ride, uneven tire wear and becomes susceptible to impact damage.

Maintaining correct tire inflation pressure for each loaded wheel position on the motorhome is of the utmost importance and must be a part of regular motorhome maintenance

How Much Air Pressure?

Federal law requires that the tire's maximum load rating be molded into the side-wall of the tire. If you look on your tire's sidewall you'll see the maximum load allowed for the size tire and loading rating, and the minimum cold air inflation pressure needed to carry that stated maximum load. Utilizing less air pressure means a lesser load can be carried by the tire. The chart at the end of the sections shows weights that can be supported by various air pressures.

The amount of air pressure you need to use is dependent on the weight of your fully loaded motorhome.

Weight Terms

The GVWR (Gross Vehicle Weight Rating) and GAWR (Gross Axle Weight Rating) stickers on the motorhome (normally located on the support pillar next to the driver's seat) will show the chassis manufacturer's and/or the RV manufacturer's total vehicle maximum weight ratings and per axle weight rating.

The GVWR is the maximum total weight for which the motorhome is rated-including passengers, fluids and cargo.

The GAWR is the maximum for which a single axle is designed. These per axle and total maximum weight ratings could be limited by the tires, wheels, axle and axle bearings, the motorhome frame or other components of the motorhome.

The GAWR sticker is only a guide in knowing the maximum loaded axle weights, and subsequently the correct tire inflation pressure. Every RV, even of the same make and model, will vary in actual loaded axle weights because of different options and personal loads.

While the actual loaded axle weight should be below the GAWR, you must weigh your motorhome in a loaded condition to know its actual weight. Weigh the front axle, the total unit and the rear axle. It is possible for a motorhome to be within the GVWR yet overloaded on an axle. It is even possible for one wheel position to be overloaded, even though the GAWR has not been exceeded. For this reason (if

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there is room to the sides of the scales) weigh each wheel position of the motorhome. This will give a clear indication of exactly how the weight of the motorhome is distributed. These instructions and diagrams are presented on the following pages. When the total weight, and the weight on each axle, is known, the tire load data chart in this manual will show you the correct cold inflation pressure per tire for each axle.

There are two important factors to consider when loading the motorhome: total weight and balance. When loading heavy objects keep them as low as possible, preferably on the floor. Load weight must be distributed as evenly as possible. Listed below are the commonly used weight abbreviations and terms.

• Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR):

GVWR means maximum permissible weight of this motorhome. GVWR is equal to or greater than the sum of UVW plus NCC.

• Unloaded Vehicle Weight (UVW):

UVW means weight of this motorhome as built at factory with full fuel, engine oil and coolants. UVW does not include cargo, fresh water, LP-Gas, occupants or dealer installed accessories.

• Net Carrying Capacity (NCC):

NCC means maximum weight of all occupants including driver, personal belongings, food, fresh water, LP-Gas, tools, tongue weight of towed vehicle, dealer installed accessories, etc., that can be carried by this motorhome. (NCC is equal to or less than GVWR minus UVW.)

• Gross Combination Weight Rating (GCWR):

GCWR means value specified by motorhome manufacturer as maximum allowable loaded weight of this motorhome with its towed trailer or towed vehicle.

• Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR):

GAWR means load-carrying capacity specified by manufacturer of a single axle system as measured at tire ground interfaces.

• Sleeping Capacity Weight Rating (SCWR):

SCWR means manufacturers designated number of sleeping positions multiplied by 154 pounds (70 kilograms).

• Cargo Carrying Capacity (CCC):

CCC means the GVWR minus each of the following: UVW, full fresh (potable) water weight (including water heater), full LP-Gas weight and SCWR.

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UNIT NO.	CHASSIS VIN:		
		LBS.	KGS.
<u>GVWR</u>	(Gross Vehicle Weight Rating) is the maximum permissible weight of this fully loaded motorhome		
<u>UVW</u>	(Unloaded Vehicle Weight) is the weight of an exemplar motorhome as manufactured at the factory with full fuel, engine oil and coolants (*1)		
<u>SCWR</u>	(Sleeping Capacity Weight Rating) is the manufacturer's designated number of sleeping positions multiplied by 154 pounds (70 kilograms)		
CCC	(Cargo Carrying Capacity) is the GVWR minus each of the following: UVW, full fresh (potable) water weight (including water heater), full LP-Gas weight and SCWR		
<u>GCWR</u>	(Gross Combination Weight Rating) is the maximum allowable combined weight of this motorhome and any towed vehicle (*2).		
	CARGO CARRYING CAPACITY (CCC) COMPUTATION		
minu	us UVWus fresh water (*3) weight of gallons @ 8.3 lbs./galus LP-Gas weight of gallons@ 4.5 lbs./gal		
CCC for this	s motorhome (*4)		

CONSULT OWNER MANUAL(S) FOR SPECIFIC WEIGHING INSTRUCTIONS AND TOWING GUIDELINES.

Factory installed options do not include dealer installed after market equipment.

WARNING:DO NOT EXCEED THE GVWR, GCWR AND/OR GAWR AFTER LOAD-ING YOUR MOTORHOME WITH WATER, FUEL, PASSENGERS AND CARGO. GAWR (Gross Axle Weight Rating) means the maximum permissible load weight a specific axle is designed to carry. See Federal Certification Label for disclosure of The GAWR for each axle.

- (*1) The UVW has been determined by weighing an exemplar motorhome with some but not all optional equipment available for each model year, make and model of motorhome. The result of the weighing of the exemplar motorhome is then used in calculating the UVW of other motorhomes of same model year, make and model. Your actual UVW may vary based upon options ordered. Please contact the manufacturer of the actual weight of each option.
- (*2) Consult your Owner's Manual for towing limitations, restrictions and other guidelines.
- (*3) Your motorhome's fresh water tank and water heater taken together determine the gross fresh water capacity. Your usable fresh water capacity, however, may be less.

(*4) Dealer installed equipment and towed vehicle tongue weight will reduce CCC.

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Improperly inflated tires or suspension that is incorrectly loaded can result in poor fuel economy, poor handling and over stressed chassis components. Vehicle loading affects tire inflation pressure and the loads carried by each axle. Motorhome axle configuration and floor plan styles will require different weighing procedures.

WEIGHING THE MOTORHOME



WARNING: Improperly inflated or overloaded tires can cause a blowout. An overloaded axle can cause a component failure of the suspension system. Tire blowouts or broken suspension components can lead to loss of vehicle control resulting in property damage, personal injury or death.



CAUTION: If actual weight carried by any tire is below the tire chart weight specification, the minimum tire pressure must be maintained. Tire pressure below minimum psi can overheat and damage the tire casing leading to premature tire failure or blowout.

Slide-Out Tire Pressure:

A motorhome equipped with slide out room(s) will weigh slightly heavier on the roadside. Tire inflation pressures between the road side and curb side will differ. More air pressure will be required in the road side tires due to the added weight on that side.



NOTE: When weighing a slide-out motorhome, each tire must be weighed independently to obtain the correct weight carried by each tire.

Scales:

Certified public scales are located in a variety of places such as moving and storage lots, farm suppliers with grain elevators, gravel pits, recycling companies and large commercial truck stops.

If you are not aware of a nearby public scale, check the local area telephone book yellow pages under "scales-public" section or "weighers." A nominal fee will be charged, but this is money wisely spent.

Weight scale types and weighing methods will affect the procedure used to determine proper tire inflation pressure and axle loading. The size of some scales will allow the entire motorhome to fit on the scale, which will read the GVW with only one scale recording required. Other scales are designed to weigh only one axle at a time, which may require two or three scale readings to determine the GAW or GVW total. Some scales will read only one wheel position at a time due their physical size. Several scale readings may be required to determine the GAW or GVW total.

Slide-out equipped motorhomes will require each wheel position to be weighed. This is referred to as a four corner weigh. This type of weighing procedure will accurately determine what the correct tire inflation pressure should be. Depending on the type of scale being used, several different scale readings may be required.

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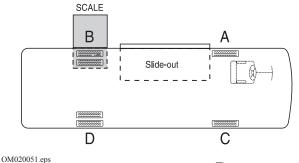


NOTE: The most accurate method to determine proper tire pressure is a four corner weigh. A slide-out motorhome will require each tire to be weighed independently. Weighing an axle will net the total weight carried by that axle. When calculating the drive axle dual tire pressure using a independent corner weigh method, divide the total weight by two to determine the weight carried by each tire. When weighing the entire drive axle, divide the total weight by four to determine the approximate weight carried by each tire.

Example:

The motorhome must be weighed fully loaded to obtain accurate scale readings and to determine the proper tire pressure.

- Take the rear axle Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR) and divide it by two. Record the figure next to scale B and D GAWR ÷ 2. Example: If rear axle GAWR is 13,000 lbs. GAWR ÷ 2 would be 6,500 lbs.
- Weigh the driver's side rear corner (scale B) and record the scale reading next to Gross Axle Weight (GAW) for scale B. Example: Scale B reading is 5100 lbs.
- Repeat procedure for the rest of the scale readings.
- Add the GAWR from scales B and D and enter the sum next to the final GAWR. Example: 13,000.
- Add the GAW from scales B and D and enter this sum next to the final GCAW. Example: 10,000.
- Compare scale readings GCAW against GAWR readings. All figures on line 2 are not to exceed figures on line 1.
- Use tire chart with scale reading to determine correct tire pressure.





NOTE: Scale readings and Gross Axle Weight Ratings are fictitious. Actual scale readings and Gross Axle Weight Ratings will vary with model and options.

Rear

Scale <u>1.GAWR ÷ 2 (6,500)</u> B <u>2.GAW (5100)</u>

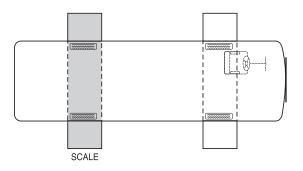
= \frac{1.GAWR (13,000)}{2. GCAW (10,000)}

Scale <u>1. GAWR ÷ 2 (6,500)</u> D <u>2. GAW (4,900)</u>

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Weighing a two axle non slide motorhome:

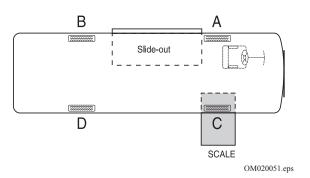
- Record the Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR) and the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR).
- Weigh and record each wheel position or total axle weight.
- If necessary, adjust the payload so the GAWR is not exceeded. Total combined weights must not exceed the GVWR.
- Using the tire chart, locate the recommended air pressure for the weight carried by each tire. Adjust the tire pressure accordingly.



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Weighing a two axle slide out motorhome:

- Slide rooms must be in the retracted position.
- Record the Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR) and the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR).
- Weigh and record the weight placed on each tire.
- If necessary, adjust the payload so the GAWR is not exceeded. Total combined weights must not exceed the GVWR.
- Using the tire chart, locate the recommended air pressure for the weight carried by each tire. Adjust the tire pressure accordingly.



Front Rear Scale GAWR ÷ 2 Scale GAWR ÷ 2 В Α **GAW** <u>GAW</u> **GAWR** GAWR **GCAW GCAW** Scale GAWR ÷ 2 Scale GAWR ÷ 2 C D **GAW** GAW

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Chart - Tire Inflation

Use the tire chart to locate the recommended air pressure for the weight carried by each tire. A quality truck tire gauge with an angle dual head is recommended. Adjust the tire pressure accordingly.

	TIRE	MAX Speed	Dual (D)				INFL	ATI	N C	PRES	SSUF	RE P	S I			
	SIZE	Rating (MPH)	Single (S)	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	105	110	115	120	125
	LT225/75R 16	65	D S	2150 2335	2220 2440	2330 2560	2470 2680									
	8R19.5	75	D S	2350 2410	2460 2540	2570 2680	2680 2800	2780 2930	2880 3060	2980 3170	3070 3280	3160 3400	3375(F) 3500(F)			
	225/70R19.5	75	D S		2720 2895	2860 3040	3000 3195	3115 3315	3245 3450	3415(F) 3640(F)						
>>*	245/70R19.5	75	D S		3415 3640	3515 3740	3655 3890	3875(F) 4080(F)	3940 4190	4075 4335	4375(G) 4545(G)					
	265/70R19.5	75	D S				3750 3970	3930 4180	4095 4355	4300 4540	4405 4685	4560 4850	4805 5070	4860 5170	5070(G) 5355(G)	
	9R22.5	65	D S	3120 3190	3270 3370	3410 3560	3550 3730	3690 3890	3820 4050	3950(F) 4210	4350	4500(F)				
	10R22.5	65	D S	3690 3770	3870 4000	4040 4210	4200 4410	4375 4610	4520 4790	4670 4970	4875(F) 5150(F)	4970 5320	5110 5490	5250(G) 5680(G)		
	11R22.5	75	D S				4760 4990	4950 5220	5120 5430	5300 5640	5470 5840	5750(G) 6175(G)	5800(H) 6240	6430	6610(H)	
	12R22.5	65	D S				5190 5450	5390 5690	5590 5920	5780 6140	5960 6370	6150 6590	6320 6790	6500 7010	6750(H) 7390(H)	
>>*	235/80R22.5	75	D S			3395 3593	3594 3815	3814 4035	4035 4278	4278 4543	4410 4675					
	245/75R22.5	75	D S		3260 3470	3425 3645	3640 3860	3740 3980	3890 4140	4080 4300	4190 4455	4335 4610	4410(G) 4675(G)			
	255/70R22.5	75	D S		3585 3815	3765 4005	3970 4190	4110 4370	4275 4550	4410 4675	4455 4895	4610 5065	4675 5205	5070(H) 5510(H)		
	265/75R22.5	75	D S			4040 4070	4205 4255	4370 4440	4525 4620	4685 4800	4805(G) 4975	5150	5205(G)			
	275/80R22.5	75	D S					4855 5265	5080 5515	5305 5755	5525 6000	5745 6235	5965 6475	6180 6710	6395(H) 6940(H)	
	295/75R22.5	75	D S			4690 4725	4885 4945	5070 5155	5260 5370	5440 5510	5675(G) 5780	5800 5980	6005(H) 6175(G)		6610(H)	
	295/80R22.5	75	D S				4855 5480	5100 5750	5335 6020	5570 6285	5805 6550	6035 6810	6265 7070	6490 7320		6940(H) 7830(H)
	315/80R22.5	75	D S					5840 6415	6070 6670	6395 6940	6540 7190	6770 7440	6940 7610	7210 7920	7610(J) 8270(J)	
	285/75R24.5	75	D S			4740 4770	4930 4990	5205 5210	5310 5420	5495 5675	5675(G) 5835	6040	6175(G)			

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^{*} Tire size varies with chassis useage.

Inspecting the Tire Pressure

Check the tire pressure regularly. If a tire is punctured by a nail or screw, creating a slow leak, it may eventually be spotted if it is a front tire or an outside rear dual. However, if there is a leak on an inside dual, the chances of spotting it without an air pressure check are very slim. If you begin driving unaware that an inside dual tire has a low air pressure or is flat, very quickly (in most cases a few miles) the outside rear tire (next to the low air pressure tire) will heat up from carrying double the load, leading to failure of the outside dual tire. The motorhome will end up with two tires flat on the same side on the same axle.

The air pressure should be checked every two weeks or at least once a month and before any major trip. The RV tire air pressure should be checked every "drive" morning on both long and short trips (driving a day or less). The tires should be checked before leaving on a trip and again before you start your trip home. If the motorhome is stored for any length of time the air pressure should be checked prior to storage. More importantly, check the tire pressure when it is pulled out of storage.

Check the tire pressure when the tires are "cold" and have not been driven for more than one mile. The stated load capacity for a given cold inflation pressure is based on ambient outside temperature. If you must check the tires when they are warm or hot, allow for a slight increase in air pressure and make sure they are within a couple of pounds of each other on the same axle (does not apply to slide-out equipped motorhomes). Never let air out of a hot tire.

To check or maintain the inflation pressure in the tires use a quality truck tire air gauge which has an angle dual head. This type of gauge will allow you to check inflation of the inner dual wheel which has the valve stem pointing outward; the outer wheel which has the valve stem pointing inward. Nothing should restrict the ability to check the tire's air pressure daily when traveling in the motorhome. Pressure sealing valve caps should always be used to prevent air from escaping from the valve stem. If there are valve stem extension hoses, make sure they are good quality stainless steel braid reinforced and are securely anchored to the outer wheel.

Optimum tire performance is achieved with proper inflation pressures for the loads being carried. The air pressure of all tires should be checked and corrected prior to travel, or daily if in full time use.

Tires of different patterns should not be mixed on the same axle. The difference in tractive force could cause rear end gear fight and mechanical damage to the drive train. Tires of different size or construction must never be mixed on the same axle.

Higher than recommended pressure can cause:

- Hard ride.
- Tire bruising or carcass damage.
- Rapid tread wear at center of tire.

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Lower than recommended pressure can cause:

- Tire squeal on turns.
- Rapid and uneven wear on the edges of the tread.
- Tire rim bruises and rupture.
- Tire cord breakage.
- High tire temperatures.
- Reduced handling.
- High fuel consumption.

Unequal tire pressures on same axle can cause:

- Uneven braking, swerve of acceleration.
- Steering lead, torque steer.
- · Reduced handling.

Tire Rotation

The useful life of your tire is achieved by the uniform wear for all tires. This can be increased with tire rotation. The first tire rotation is the most important. The tire rotation pattern used for the motorhome should be evaluated by the **tire manufacturer**. Any unusual or unique wear pattern which may have developed should be evaluated before rotation. Misalignment, imbalance or other mechanical problems may exist and will need corrected prior to rotation.

The tire rotation should be performed every 5,000 miles, or at any sign of uneven wear. After a tire rotation, the inflation pressures should be checked and adjusted for the actual loads of the wheel position accordingly. Tires are covered by the tire manufacturer. Monaco Coach Corporation is not responsible for tire wear.

Blocking When Leveling

Extreme caution must be taken to ensure that the tires are fully supported when placing blocks under the tires. The load on the tire should be evenly distributed on the block. In the case of dual tires, distribute the load evenly on blocks for both tires. If not properly blocked, the steel cables in the sidewall of the tires may be damaged and could lead to premature fatigue of the sidewall. **Refer to the** "Specifications - Chart" under Specifications & Diagrams in Section (9).

Tire Care

Cleaning:

Road oil will cause deterioration of the rubber. Dirt buildup will help hold chemicals in the air next to the tire and will also cause deterioration.

When cleaning any rubber product, proper care and methods in cleaning must be used to obtain the maximum service years out of the tires. Use a soft brush and a mild detergent to clean the tires. If a dressing product is used to "protect" the tires from aging, use extra care and caution. Tire dressings that contain petroleum products or alcohol may cause deterioration or cracking.

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In many cases it is not the dressing that causes a problem, but the chemical reaction that subsequently occurs. When these same dressing products are used on a passenger car tire that is replaced every three to four years, it is rare to see a major problem. However, in most cases, RV tires may last longer due to limited annual mileage and exposure.

The RV is designed for recreation, not long-term storage. However, unless the motorhome is used for full-time living it will need to be stored. Rubber tires age faster when not being used. A cool, dry, sealed garage is the preferred method of storage. Many RV's are stored outside in the elements. Some storage surfaces may cause tires to age prematurely. Placing a barrier (i.e. cardboard, plastic or plywood) between the tire and the storage floor/ground surface will help to protect the tires.

There are a few steps that can be taken to reduce the aging effects from long-term storage or a non-use period. Thoroughly clean the tires. Cover the tires to block direct sunlight and ultraviolet rays. Store the RV out of a high ozone area. Failure to take these steps can cause early deterioration and shorten the life of the tires.



NOTE: When the motorhome is stored the tires should be inflated to maximum inflation pressure as indicated on the sidewall of the tire.

Before removing the motorhome from long-term storage, thoroughly inspect each of the tires. This means a close examination of each tire's tread area and air pressure. If the pressure check indicates the tires have lost air during storage, inflate them to the correct pressure for the current load before putting the motorhome into service.

If you have a flat tire it is recommended to call for roadside service. Proper equipment is necessary to change a tire on the motorhome due to the size and weight of the tires and the vehicle. A professional service technician will have the proper equipment and training to repair or replace the tire. In the case of sudden tire failure, avoid heavy braking. Hold the steering wheel firmly and gradually decrease speed. Slowly pull off the road to a safe, firm and level spot. Turn the ignition off and turn the hazard flasher system ON. Goodyear Tire Company has an emergency number which offers 24 hours assistance. To contact Goodyear call (877) 484-7376. The old tire should be **saved** for warranty purposes.

Storage of Tires -Long Term

In Case of Flat Tire

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Hub Piloted Mounting:

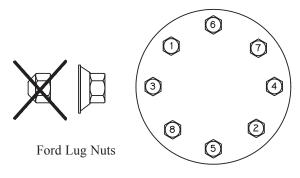
- Before using flange nuts that have already been used in service apply two drops of oil at one point between the flange and hex. This will allow parts to rotate freely and provide the proper clamping force when tightened. Use any common lubricant typically used for fasteners. Examples are motor oil and general purpose lubricating oils. Excessive lubricant is not desirable, this will not improve the nut performance. Excessive lubricant makes the nuts hard to handle, attracts dirt and may cause an unsightly appearance to the wheel. Only used nuts need to be lubricated.
- Since flange nuts generate higher clamping force always use grade eight studs with hub mount wheels.
- Before installing the wheels lubricate the hub pilot pads with a drop of oil to prevent galling. Do not lubricate any other wheel or hub surface.
- For a hub with intermittent pilot pads position a pad at twelve o'clock to center the wheel to reduce runout.



NOTE: Loosen and tighten lug nuts in a star pattern sequence. Sequence tighten to 50 ft. lbs. first, then sequence tighten to 150 lbs. (over tightening can cause distortion).

Front Wheels:

Slide the front wheel over the studs, being careful not to damage stud threads. Snug the nuts in sequence. Do not tighten them fully until all have been seated. Tighten the nuts to 150 ft. lbs. in sequence (as shown in the illustration).



Dual Rear Wheels:

Slide the inner dual wheel over the studs, being careful not to damage the stud threads. Align the handholds for valve access and slide the outer dual wheel over the studs, again being careful not to damage the stud threads.

Snug the nuts in sequence. Do not tighten them fully until all have been seated. Tighten the nuts to 150 ft. lbs. using the sequence as shown in the illustration. The hub mount wheels use two piece flange cap nuts for both front and rear applications. No inner cap nuts are required.

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Torque the Nuts Properly:

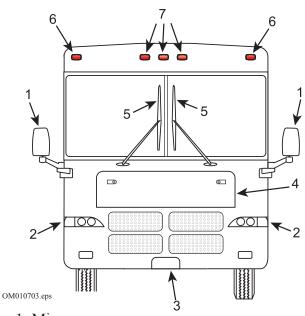
- Be sure to tighten the wheel nuts to the recommended nut torque. Do not over tighten.
- Maintain the nut torque at the recommended level through planned periodic checks or at 10,000 miles intervals, whichever comes first.
- If air wrenches are used they must be periodically calibrated for the proper torque output. Use a torque wrench to check the air wrench output and adjust the line pressure for the correct torque.

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Clean the wheel covers frequently with high pressure water from a hose using a mild detergent. Do not use harsh alkalis, alcohol or acidic cleansers. A secondary hand washing with a soft cloth may be required to remove stubborn road grime. To remove the wheel covers from the wheel for a thorough cleaning use the special tool that was included with the motorhome. Each wheel cover is secured by four lug covers identified by indent or notch markings. When the wheel covers are removed tires and rims can be cleaned and inspected.

Remove dirt, corrosion or any foreign materials from the tire side of the rim using a wire brush. Do not use a wire brush or other abrasive substances to remove dirt and corrosion from the wheel covers. To maintain the original appearance of the wheel covers the following procedures are recommended:

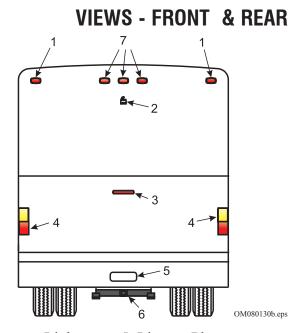
- 1. After installing new wheels (prior to operating your motorhome) use a sponge, cloth or soft fiber brush to wash the exposed wheel surfaces with a mild detergent/warm water solution.
- 2. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.
- 3. Wipe dry to avoid water spots.
- 4. Use a high quality, non-abrasive polish to remove stubborn road tars, insects or hard to remove deposits.
- 5. To protect the appearance surface on wheels covers, wax the cleaned surface with a high quality car wax.
- 6. Clean the wheel covers frequently to maintain their appearance.



- 1. Mirrors
- 2. Headlights
- 3. License Plate
- 4. Engine Access Door
- 5. Windshield Wipers
- 6. Clearance Lights
- 7. Identification Lights

of Wheel Covers

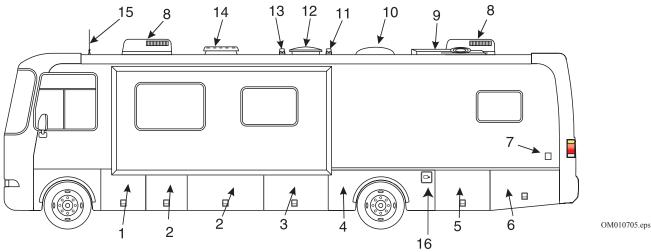
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- 1. Clearance Lights
- 2. Rear View Camera
- 3. Third Brake Light
- 4. Taillight
- 5. License Plate
- 6. Rear Tow Hitch
- 7. Identification Lights

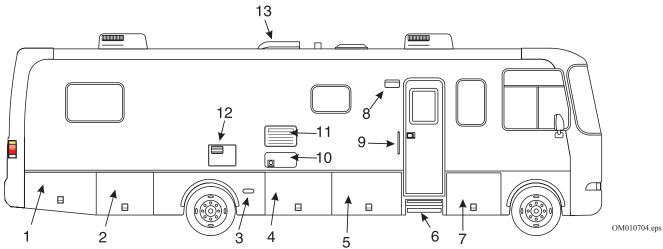
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VIEWS - CURBSIDE & ROADSIDE



- 1. Storage & Electrical Panel
- 2. Storage Compartment
- 3. Generator, Leveling Jack Pump
- 4. Marker Light
- 5. Water Control Service Center
- 6. Shore Cord Electrical Center
- 7. Gravity Fill
- 8. Roof Air Conditioner

- 9. TV Antenna
- 10. Skylight Dome
- 11. Toilet Vent
- 12. Exhaust Vent Bath
- 13. Holding Tank Vent
- 14. Exhaust Vent Galley
- 15. Radio Antenna
- 16. Fuel Fill



- 1. Storage Compartment & Inverter/Converter
- 2. House Batteries & Disconnect
- 3. Marker Light
- 4. LP Tank Access & Controls
- 5. Storage Compartment
- 6. Entry Steps
- 7. Chassis Disconnect/Storage Compartment

- 8. Porch Light
- 9. Grab Handle
- 10. Furnace/Heater Compartment Access
- 11. Refrigerator Compartment Access
- 12. Water Heater
- 13. Refrigerator Vent



NOTE: Differences in models and floor plans may vary locations of items.

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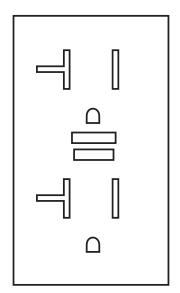
SPECIFICATIONS - DIMENSIONS CHART

SPECIFICATION CHART						
MODEL	30PBD	32PBD	34SBD	34PBD	36WDD	36DBD
Ford Chassis						
GVWR	20,500 lbs	20,500 lbs	22,000 lbs	22,000 lbs	22,000 lbs	22,000 lbs
GCWR	25,500 lbs	25,500 lbs	27,000 lbs	27,000 lbs	27,000 lbs	27,000 lbs
GAWR (Front)	7,000 lbs	7,000 lbs	7,500 lbs	7,500 lbs	7,500 lbs	7,500 lbs
GAWR (Rear)	13,500 lbs	13,500 lbs	lbs 14,500 lbs 14,500 lbs 14		14,500 lbs	14,500 lbs
Workhorse Chassis						
GVWR	20,700 lbs	20,700 lbs	22,000 lbs.	22,000 lbs.	22,000 lbs.	22,000 lbs
GCWR	25,700 lbs.	25,700 lbs.	26,000 lbs.	26,000 lbs.	26,000 lbs.	26,000 lbs.
GAWR (Front)	7,500 lbs.	7,500 lbs.	8,000 lbs. 8,000 lbs.		8,000 lbs.	8,000 lbs.
GAWR (Rear)	13,500 lbs.	13,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.
Measurements						
Wheel Base	190"	208"	228"	228"	238"	228"
Overall Length	30'8"	32'8"	34'10" 34'10"		36'6"	36'6"
Overall Height	11'9"	11'9"	11'9" 11'9"		11'9"	11'9"
Interior Height	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"
Interior Width	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"
Exterior Width	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"

NOTE: The above charts reflect product specifications available at the time of printing. Therefore any floor plans introduced thereafter may not be reflected in the chart. All other information contained throughout the manual will still apply.

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GFCI BREAKERS & OUTLETS



GFCI INTERRUPTER OUTLET

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A ground fault circuit interrupter "GFCI" can be found in two different types of applications. One type is incorporated in a breaker used in 120 volt AC breaker panels, the other is incorporated in an outlet. The GFCI, whether it is a breaker or an outlet, offers two types of protection. One type of protection is from over-current or shorts. It also provides protection for persons against hazardous ground fault currents which can result in injury or death. Ground fault currents are currents that flow from the "HOT" or power terminal through a person to the ground. For example, touching a faulty appliance while standing on or making contact with an electrical ground such as a water fixture, bathtub or the earth. If the device has been properly installed it will offer protection against the type of shock that can result from faulty insulation, wet wiring from inside an appliance, or any device or equipment plugged in or wired to that circuit. The "ground fault" portion of the outlet or breaker uses sensitive electronics inside the outlet or breaker to detect a ground fault problem. The electronics monitor the normal current of power, flowing to the "hot" or black wire through the load (eg. a light bulb or appliance) and coming back on the "neutral" or white wire. If just a small amount of the current comes back on the safety ground wire the electronics will "trip" the breaker or outlet, stopping the flow of electricity. The amount of current it takes to trip the device from a ground fault varies slightly from the different outlet or breaker manufacturers (approximately 30 mils or less). Electrical shocks resulting from ground faults can be felt, but such a shock is considerably less than one without ground fault protection. People with heart conditions or other conditions that make them susceptible to shocks can still be seriously injured. A GFCI outlet or breaker will not protect against shock from a normal current flow. For example, a shock from touching both metal prongs of an electrical cord or appliance while plugging it in.



WARNING: If a breaker or outlet trips continually DO NOT continue to reset breaker or outlet until the problem has been identified and corrected.



NOTE: The ground fault outlet or breaker should be tested once a month to insure it is working properly. Use the "TEST" button on the outlet or breaker. It should trip with an audible "click." The breaker or outlet will not trip if no AC power is present to the device. If power is present and the device will not "trip," replace it before using that circuit.



NOTE: One mil is 1/1000 of one amp.

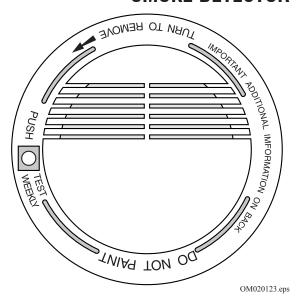
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Statistics show that most fire casualties are not caused by direct flame, but by less visible smoke (products of combustion).

The smoke detector responds to both visible and invisible products of combustion. The smoke detector will automatically return from alarm to normal state when the reason for activation, the presence of smoke, is completely removed.

Common causes of fire are smoking in bed, leaving children unattended and cleaning with flammable fluids. Please be safety conscious and avoid unnecessary risk.

SMOKE DETECTOR





WARNING: There is no way to insure there will be no injury or loss of life in a fire; however, the smoke detector is intended to help reduce the risk of tragedy. Additional smoke detectors may help to reduce the risk. Proper use and care of the smoke detector could save lives.

To test the electronics of the alarm press the test button on the cover of the smoke alarm for a few seconds. The smoke alarm will sound by making a continuous loud beep. To complete the test sequence release the button and the alarm should stop.

How to Test



NOTE: Test the smoke alarm operation after the motorhome has been in storage, before each trip and at least once a week during use.

Vacuum the slots in the cover and sides with a soft brush attachment every month. The smoke alarm should be cleaned every six months to help keep the unit working efficiently.

The battery should power the smoke alarm for at least one year under normal use. When the battery reaches the end of its normal life a low battery warning (intermittent beeping) will indicate the need for battery replacement. Some owners may find it practical to replace the battery during the time

changes in the spring and fall.

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Troubleshooting

If the alarm does not sound when the test button is pushed, or with a smoke test, try the following:

- Inspect for obvious damage.
- Check for the recommended battery type.
- Check the battery for proper connection, or replace the battery if needed.
- Gently vacuum as recommended.

If these procedures do not correct the problem, do not attempt repairs. If the smoke alarm is within the warranty period and the terms indicate the nature of the problem, return the unit to the dealer. Smoke detectors beyond warranty cannot be economically repaired.

Abnormal air conditions may cause the highly sensitive smoke alarm to give a false alarm. If no fire is apparent ventilate the room and/or blow fresh air into the motorhome until the alarm stops. Once cleared the smoke alarm will automatically reset. Dust can lead to excessive sensitivity. Vacuum as needed.

LP-GAS DETECTOR

Provided for safety is a gas detector. This gas detector will detect both LP-Gas and Methane Gas. Liquefied Petroleum (LP) Gas is heavier than air. Methane Gas is lighter than air. LP-Gas will settle to the lowest point, generally the floor of the motorhome. Methane Gas will rise. The gas detector is also sensitive to other fumes such as hair spray, of which most contain butane as the propellant. Butane, like propane is heavier than air and will settle to the floor level where it will be detected. When this occurs, press reset button to stop alert sound for 60 seconds.

The other combustibles which will be detected include alcohol, liquor, deodorants, colognes, perfumes, wine, adhesives, lacquer, kerosene, gasoline, glues, most of all cleaning agents and propellant of aerosol cans. Most are lighter than air in their vapor state and will only be detected when the motorhome is closed up.

Operation



Upon first application of power the LED will flash yellow for three minutes while the detector is stabilizing. At the end of the start cycle the LED will turn Green indicating full operation. If the detector senses unsafe levels of gas it will immediately sound an alarm.

The gas detector operates on 12 Volts, with a current draw less than 1/10th of one amp.



CAUTION: This detector will not alarm during the three minute warm up cycle.

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Depress the **TEST** switch any time during the warm up cycle or while in normal operation. The LED should flash **red** and the alarm should sound. Release the switch. This is the only way you should test the detector. The test feature checks full operation of the detector.

Testing



WARNING: Test the operation of this detector after the motorhome has been in storage, before each trip and at least once per week during use.

The **red** LED will flash and the alarm will sound whenever a dangerous level of propane or methane gas is detected. The detector will continue to alarm until the gas clears or the Mute switch is pressed.

Alarm

Procedures To Take During An Alarm:

- 1. Turn off all gas appliances (stove, heaters, furnace). Extinguish all flames and smoking material. Evacuate, leave doors and windows open.
- 2. Turn off the propane tank valve.
- 3. Determine and repair the source of the leak. Seek professional help if necessary.



CAUTION: Do Not re-enter until the problem is corrected.

Alarm Mute:

Press the **Test-Mute** button when the detector is in alarm.

- 1. The **red** LED will continue flash and the alarm will beep every 30 seconds until the gas level has dropped to a safe level.
- 2. The LED will flash **green** until the end of the Mute cycle.
- 3. If dangerous gas levels return before the end of the mute cycle the alarm will beep four times and return to phase 1.
- 4. After two minutes the detector will return to normal operation (**solid green**) or resound the alarm if dangerous levels of gas remain in the area.

Fault Alarm:

Should the microprocessor sense a fault in the gas detector a fault alarm will sound twice every 15 seconds. The LED will alternately flash **red** to **green** and the **MUTE** switch will not respond to any command. The gas detector must be repaired or replaced.

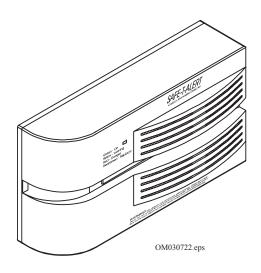
1. Vacuum the dust off the detector cover weekly (more frequently in dusty locations) using the soft brush attachment of the vacuum.

2. Do not spray cleaning agents or waxes directly onto the front panel. This action may damage the sensor, cause an alarm or cause a detector malfunction.

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CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR



The motorhome is equipped with a carbon monoxide detector. Carbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless and tasteless gas. Even low levels of CO have been known to cause brain and other vital organ damage in unborn infants, with no effect on the mother. In cases of mild exposure the symptoms may include: a slight headache, nausea, vomiting and fatigue. Symptoms for medium exposure may include a severe throbbing headache, drowsiness, confusion and fast heart rate. Extreme exposure can result in unconsciousness, convulsions, cardio-respiratory failure and death. Young children and household pets may be the first affected. The CO detector is designed to detect the toxic CO fumes that result from vehicle exhaust and incomplete combustion sources like a furnace, gas stove or water heater. Consequently, it is uncommon for household smoke from cigarettes or normal cooking to cause the alarm to sound.



NOTE: Activation of this device indicates the presence of carbon monoxide (CO) which can be fatal. A concentration of above 100 PPM will cause a warning condition. Individuals with medical problems may consider using detection devices with lower carbon monoxide alarming capabilities. Prolonged exposure to the horn at a close distance may be harmful to the hearing.

Operating Instructions

The detector is equipped with a self-cleaning CO sensor and requires a ten minute initial warm-up period to clean the sensor element and achieve stabilization. The green power light should be lit when the power is on. If the light is not lit, turn off the power and check all wire connections. If the power is on and the connections are correct but the indicator still does not light, the detector should be returned for service. Do not attempt to fix the detector yourself. The indicator light displays a specific color to monitor the conditions as follows:

- Green Indicates an "ON" or normal condition. The CO detector has
 power and is sensing air for the presence of CO gas. The alarm horn will
 not sound.
- Yellow Indicates a "trouble" or malfunction condition. The alarm horn will sound and cannot be reset by the TEST/RESET button.

 The CO detector is not working properly and must be immediately replaced or repaired.
- **Red** Indicates an "**alarm condition**." The detector has sensed the presence of a hazardous level of carbon monoxide. The alarm horn will sound continuously until reset by the **RESET** switch.

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When the alarm sounds you should have the detector and the motorhome checked by an authorized service technician as soon as possible. Never disconnect a CO detector to silence an annoying alarm. Evacuate the motorhome immediately when the **red** light is lit and the alarm sounds. Do a head count to check that all persons are accounted for. Call the nearest fire department and ask them to determine the source of the carbon monoxide. Do not re-enter the motorhome until it has been aired out and the problem corrected.

Alarm

Test the carbon monoxide detector operation after the motorhome has been in storage, before each trip and at least once a week during use. You can test the alarm by holding the test button in until the alarm sounds. The alarm will stop beeping in about 30 seconds.

Testing

Use a vacuum cleaner to remove dust or any other buildup on the detector. Do not wash. Wipe the detector with a damp cloth and dry it with a towel. Do not open the detector for cleaning. Do not paint the detector. It is recommend that the carbon monoxide detector should be replaced every 10 years.

Cleaning

The fire extinguisher in the motorhome is located near the main entrance door. Please read the operating instructions that are printed on the fire extinguisher. If there is any doubt on how to operate the fire extinguisher, practice using it. Be sure to replace or recharge the extinguisher immediately after use.

Inspect the fire extinguisher at least once a month. Do so more frequently if the extinguisher is exposed to weather or possible tampering. Do not test the extinguisher by partially discharging, this will cause a loss of pressure.

Use the **PASS** word!

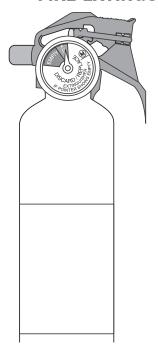
Pull the pin to unlock the extinguisher.

<u>Aim</u> at the base (bottom) of the fire and stand 6-10 feet away.

Squeeze the lever to discharge the agent.

Sweep the spray from left to right until totally extinguished.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER

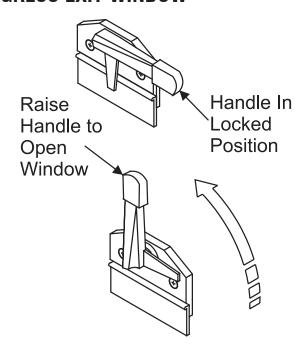


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EGRESS EXIT WINDOW



Egress Window Handle

An egress window is designated for use as an exit in the case of an emergency. Inside the motorhome the egress window is easily identified by the red locking handle. It is also marked as an "EXIT". On the outside of the motorhome the egress window is identified by hinges visible along the top of the window.

The glass slider in the egress window operates similar to other windows. To open the egress window, lift the red handle and push outward on the window. Pull the window closed and lower the handles to lock the egress window.

The egress window should be opened twice a year to ensure proper operation. The rubber seal tends to stick to the egress window.

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EXTERIOR CARE Corrosion

The most common cause of corrosion to the motorhome is the accumulation of road salts, grime and dirt. These elements, combined with moisture, may possibly cause early component failure. Salt air and fog from coastal trips can greatly accelerate the corrosion process. Corrosive materials collected from roadways accumulate on the undercarriage, around wheel openings and on the radiator air cooler. These areas need to be cleaned periodically to help prevent component failure due to corrosion. If the motorhome is driven in areas where road salts are used, it should be washed at least once a week. Otherwise, it is recommended to hose off the undercarriage area at least once a month to help minimize the corrosion process. High pressure washers or steam cleaners are the most effective way of cleaning off the underside and inside wheel openings. **Avoid directly spraying the painted surface with a high pressured washer.** Remove road debris and mud that has accumulated. Material left behind can intensify the corrosion problem.



CAUTION: Exercise caution when cleaning the radiator air cooler. Damage to the fins can result when using a high pressure washer or steam cleaner. Nozzle discharge pressure can exceed 1,800 psi. Avoid using high pressure steam cleaners on the exterior paint surfaces. Remove all spattered washing debris from the exterior paint surfaces as soon as possible.

Washing

The life of the exterior paint finish can be extended if properly cared for. Periodic cleaning will help preserve the paint finish. The motorhome is painted with a "base coat, clear coat system." The clear coat is a polyurethane based material which brings out the shine or luster to the base coat paint. Care should be used when washing the motorhome. Use only mild detergents or preferred specifically designed automotive detergents. Avoid using abrasive cleansers or laundry detergents as they will scratch the clear coat and leave a soap film. The use of specially designed automotive washing utensils, such as soft bristle brushes, are acceptable as long as they do not trap abrasive material and scratch the surface while being used. Before washing the motorhome remove most of the accumulated dirt and "road wash" behind wheel openings, below the windshield and on the rear of the motorhome. If the build up is excessive, run water over a soft brush while gently scrubbing the surface in one direction. This will help float away the "build-up" from the clear coat. Avoid back and forth or circular motions as this may act like sandpaper, scratching the clear coat and leaving a haze or "swirl marks." After removing the heavy build-up, use the mixed detergent solution to wash the motorhome. Start washing at the top of the motorhome working towards the bottom. If possible, wash the motorhome in a shaded area when the exterior is not hot to the touch. If necessary, turn the motorhome around to keep the area being washed in the shade. Try not to allow the detergent to dry onto the clear coat surface. Use plenty of water when rinsing the surface to remove any detergent residue.

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Drying

Drying chamois cloths come in natural and synthetic materials. Either type is acceptable as long as the surface is clean. Soak the chamois in clean water until all chamois material has absorbed water. Wring excess water from chamois. Start at the top and work towards the bottom. Use a downward "S" pattern to remove water from the surface and wring out the chamois as needed. Using a chamois cloth to remove the rinse water is not necessary, but the effort can be worthwhile.

Waxing

To wax or not to wax? This is a good question. There are many schools of thought on this issue. The two most common thoughts are:

- The clear coat needs to "breathe." A layer of wax will seal the clear coat not allowing it to breathe, possibly leading to failure of the clear coat.
- If the surface is not waxed, what is protecting the surface from the environment (road salts, acid rain, road tar, ultraviolet light)?

Monaco Coach Corporation recommends the use of wax, twice a year; spring and fall. Many types of protective barriers are available today that may be applied to the clear coat: glazes, waxes, polishes, rubbing compounds or combinations of these products.



NOTE: When selecting a product for use follow the product manufacturer's recommended application instructions.

Types of Products:

Glazes: Glazes are generally used to fill very fine scratches in the clear coat, being applied either by hand or by using a polisher with a special pad.

Waxes: Waxes come in many types of chemical make-ups. The popular Carnauba wax is a natural occurring wax from the leaves or fronds of the Carnauba palm tree. Mineral waxes have a paraffin base. There are also other topical application products which contain silicone.

Polishes: Polishes usually contain a combination of wax based substances with an abrasive, getting the two for one idea. These products can be too abrasive for clear coats and are not recommended for use.

Rubbing Compounds: These types of products are generally applied by using a buffer. The use of rubbing compounds should be left to professionals as undesired results can quickly occur. These types of products are generally used to correct or flatten a surface by removing high spots or small amounts of material.

When selecting a product the container should be marked, "safe for clear coats" or "clear coat safe." Carefully follow all manufacturer's application instructions when using a product. Upon first use of a product, try it on a "small test spot" in an

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inconspicuous area in case an undesired reaction occurs. Observe the test area from different angles checking for hazing or swirl marks. If an abnormal reaction to the finish results, discontinue product use and consult the product's manufacturer. If the product is a paste, do not allow dried paste to be baked on by the sun. Remove paste shortly after drying. Clean, dry, 100% cotton cloths or cotton baby diapers are best suited for the removal of dried paste. Turn the cloth often. Use a separate clean cloth to buff. The surface should feel "slick" when rubbing the cloth lightly over it. Avoid repeated wax applications which can cause wax to build up. Some very fine scratches or swirl marks may be removed by an application of a glaze. These types of glazes fill the scratches or swirl marks.

The motorhome has a large surface area. Washing and waxing may not be completed in one afternoon. Select sections to wax until the motorhome is complete. If the task seems formidable, have an automotive detailer perform the task.

Road oil will cause deterioration of the rubber. Dirt buildup will help hold chemicals in the air next to the tire and will also cause deterioration.

When cleaning any rubber product, proper care and methods in cleaning must be used to obtain the maximum service years out of the tires. Use a soft brush and a mild detergent to clean the tires. If a dressing product is used to "protect" the tires from aging, use extra care and caution. Tire dressings that contain petroleum products or alcohol may cause deterioration or cracking.

In many cases it is not the dressing that causes a problem, but the chemical reaction that subsequently occurs. When these same dressing products are used on a passenger car tire that is replaced every three to four years, it is rare to see a major problem. However, in most cases, RV tires may last longer due to limited annual mileage, and exposure.

All chrome, stainless steel and aluminum should be washed and cleaned each time the motorhome is washed. Use only automotive approved non-abrasive cleaners and polishes on exterior bright work. Do not use rubbing compounds.

NOTE: When using chemicals to remove road tars, use only automotive type products that are recommended for use on painted surfaces and fiberglass. Observe the warning recommendations and directions printed on the container of any agent being used.

Tire Care

Bright Metal

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Maintenance -Exterior

The motorhome is subjected to a great deal of outside conditions. While the coach is parked it is exposed to extreme temperatures, humidity, ultraviolet rays, acid rain and other organic environmental conditions. While in operation the coach is subjected to twisting and flexing caused by (for example) going in and out of driveways, bouncing through potholes and driving through winding mountain roads.

Periodic inspections of the fiberglass front and rear caps may reveal minute cracks in the surface commonly called "spider cracks" or "hairline cracks," which are caused by the flexing of the fiberglass exterior. These are quite normal. If a crack represents a threat to the integrity of the fiberglass it will open up and the weave of the cloth would be visible. If the exterior has been damaged, prevent moisture penetration, especially in freezing climates. Cover the area as quickly as possible. Use plastic sheeting and tape, if necessary, so that moisture will not get into the motorhome and damage the interior.

Roof Care & Seal Inspections

Periodic resealing of the joints and seams is necessary to prevent the entrance of moisture into the motorhome. Enough emphasis cannot be placed on this issue. Extreme damage from a water leak can occur rapidly. Never leave the vehicle unattended with the slide room extended. If the vehicle is to be stored outside throughout the winter months, a full interior inspection for water leaks should be made bimonthly. Extensive sealing has been done at the factory; however, the normal twisting and flexing that occurs while traveling may have compromised a seal or seam. All joints and seams should be inspected at least twice a year and recalked as necessary. Special attention should be directed toward the roof air conditioning seals, ceiling and plumbing vents, skylights, roof mounted antennas, windows, door molding, clearance lights and the beltline molding. Specific sealant products should be used in the areas for which they were designed. These items can be obtained from recreational vehicle parts suppliers. Listed below are some of the more common sealants and the areas in which they are used. Approved sealants are available at service centers and authorized dealers.



WARNING: Some products may contain hazardous materials which require special handling. Read labels carefully. Follow all of the product manufacturer's safety requirements.

Sealant Types:

Acryl-R: This product is used on all roof openings such as: vents, skylights, any roof mounted antennas and ladder roof mounts. The sealant should be applied only where the equipment bases meet the roof. Clean the old sealant that is lifting before applying with new. Make sure the roof is dry and free of dirt. This product is usually found in a caulking tube. Care should be used when near an edge, as the product will spread out. Masking tape may be used to mask around area to avoid mishaps. The roof air conditioners use a closed cell foam base gasket. No sealants are required. The roof air conditioners should be checked for tightness by

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the four mounting bolts located in each interior corner of the air conditioner roof opening. Torque specification is 40-50 in/lbs. The base gasket should be compressed to approximately ½".

Clear Silicone Sealant: Primarily this product is used on the sidewalls where a hole has been made and an item installed. This includes Windows, Doors, Handles, Beltline Molding, Latches and around bases of items surface mounted such as clearance lights. Old peeling sealant should be removed. Avoid using metal utensils which can scratch the painted surface. Use nylon sticks or equivalent. Avoid using lacquer thinners or ketone based solvents as these chemicals can damage the painted surfaces. Be sure the surface is clean and dry before application. Cut the tube at an angle with smallest usable opening. Avoid a heavy bead as a little goes a long way. Use finger at a 45° angle on beaded surface to smooth out product. Do not moisten finger, use a disposable latex glove. Keep rags or paper towels handy for clean up. Use care when applying silicone. Plan ahead before starting a bead, look for obstacles that may impede application.

Black Urethane: This product is used for sealing the windshields. It was not designed to fill holes or other imperfections. Black urethane comes in a tube and it applies much the same way as silicone does. Clean up using solvents such as paint thinner. Gloves are required as this material is hazardous.

Acrylic Sealants (geocel 2300): This product is used where items are sealed under a painted surface such as the metal corners of the slide-out room. The material is specially formulated to allow paint adhesion.

Spray Foam: This product is used as a sealant where a hole has been made for items such as water lines or wires that are coming through a floor opening.

The fabrics have been manufactured with the same quality you would expect to find in a furniture store. If the fabric is abused, it can be damaged. Special care needs to be taken when your motorhome is exposed to a very humid climate for an extended period of time. Cover all upholstery and make sure window coverings are down to protect from sun damage.

Protect the fabric from any unnecessary exposure to moisture. The sofa, pillows, dinette cushions, living area chair, driver/passenger seating and window treatments have been treated with *Scotch Guard* to prevent overall

INTERIOR CARE

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water spots and soiling. Frequently used items will wear accordingly and may require more attention than those items not regularly used.

Use the following guidelines for cleaning your upholstery fabrics:

- Water-based cleaners are not recommended.
- If a spill does occur, blot the soiled area. Do not rub it.
- Some solvents are not recommended since they may have an adverse reaction on specific backings of the upholstery fabric.
- To prevent overall soiling, frequent vacuuming or light brushing are recommended to remove dust and grime.
- Clean spots using a mild water-free solvent or dry cleaning product.
- Clean only in a well ventilated area and avoid any product containing carbon tetrachloride or other toxic materials.
- Use a professional furniture cleaning service for an overall cleaning.

Fabric Cleaning Codes:

The codes listed below refer to cleaning instructions recommended by the fabric manufacturer for specific fabrics. The "Fabric Specification Charts" (located on the following pages) list specific fabric codes under "Cleaning Code."

"W" - Clean this fabric with the foam only of a water-based cleaning agent to remove the overall soil. Many household cleaning solvents are harmful to the color and life of a fabric. Cleaning only by a professional furniture cleaning service is recommended. To prevent overall soil, frequent vacuuming or light brushing to remove dust and grime is recommended.

"S" - Clean this fabric with pure solvents (petroleum distillate-based products such as *Energine*, *Carbona*, *Renuzit*, or similar products may be used) in a well ventilated room. Cleaning only by a professional furniture cleaning service is recommended.



CAUTION: Use of water-based or detergent-based solvent cleaners may cause excessive shrinking. Water stains may become permanent and unable to be removed with solvent cleaning agents. Avoid products containing Carbon Tetrachloride as it is highly toxic. To help prevent overall soiling, frequent vacuuming or light brushing to remove dust and grime is recommended.

"S/W" - Clean this fabric with the foam only of a water-based cleaning agent or with a pure solvent in a well ventilated room (petroleum distillate-based products such as *Energine*, *Carbona*, *Renuzit*, or similar products may be used). Cleaning only by a professional furniture cleaning service is recommended. To help prevent overall soiling, frequent vacuuming or light brushing to remove dust and grime is suggested.

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- **"P" -** The article is resistant against perchlorethene, cleaning benzine (spirit), white spirit, R-11 and R-13.
- **"Dry Clean Only" -** Cleaning only by a professional dry cleaner or furniture cleaning service is recommended for this fabric.

*Machine Washing for 100% Polyester:

- **"Wash Cycle" -** Use synthetic setting and high water level with mild agitation. A mild soap or detergent in water not to exceed 160° F. **No bleach or fabric softener.**
- **"Drying" -** Use low temperatures, a synthetic setting of 85° F to 90° F maximum should be used. Do not exceed three to five minutes time on the synthetic cycle. If washed at 160° F, the maximum temperature which can be used to dry is 140° F. Hang or fold immediately after drying.
- "Finishing" If necessary, press as follows:
 - Iron on low setting (275° F) with damp cloth or steam iron using a dry press cloth.
 - Grid Head press for short intervals with minimum steam. Do not lock the head.
 - Flat bed press dampened drapery using cloth covering.
 - Avoid prolonged contact with heat.

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FABRIC SPECIFICATION CHART:

FABRIC	CONTENT	CLEANING	APPLICATION
	TF	CODE EA ROSE .472	
Studio 54 UPH/RR Oyster 24602-AIGUU (FR)	51% Polyester, 49% Rayon	S	Sofa, Living Room Pillow, Dinette Cushion, Living Room Lambrequin
Anna 002 MO31116-002-3	63% Rayon, 37% Polyester	S	Chair, Living Room Pillow, Free Standing Dinette, Living Room Lambrequin, Driver Seat
Reno Cameo	53% Cotton, 47% Polyester	S	Bedspread, Bed Room Pillow, Bed Room Lambrequin, Headboard
Shantung - SH Monaco Iris	57% Cotton, 43% Rayon	Dry Clean	Bed Room Pillow, Bed Room Lambrequin
Dempsey Chablis	100% Polyester	Dry Clean	Windshield
Tumbleweed New Oyster	Vinyl	Vinyl	Vinyl
Cambridge 1/2" Tri Color Cord w/Tab Beige	42% Olefin, 32% Rayon, 6% Polyester	WS	Cord Trim
		BISQUE .444	
		815QUE .444	
Boucheron UPH 28931-A2UU Sahara (FR)	60% Rayon, 40% Polyester	S	Sofa, Living Room Pillow, Dinette Cushion, Living Room Lambrequin
Supernova 013 MO27990-013-1	47% Polyester, 31% Rayon	S	Chair, Living Room Pillow, Living Room Lambrequin, Driver Seat
Tresor Plain UPH 28928-A4UU Palmetto (FRO)	585 Rayon, 42% Polyester	S	Free Standing Dinette
Haiku - DA Shitake	100% Cotton	Dry Clean	Bedspread, Bed Room Pillow, Bed Room Lambrequin, Headboard
Supreme Satin Tabocco	69% Rayon, 31% Acetate	Dry Clean	Bed Room Pillow, Bed Room Lambrequin
Dempsey Chablis	100% Polyester	Dry Clean	Windshield
Tumbleweed Taupe	Vinyl	Vinyl	Vinyl
Cambridge 1/2" Tri-Color Cord w/Tab CD 26342	62% Olefin, 32% Rayon, 6% Polyester	WS	Cord Trim
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	67%Polyester,		Sofa, Living Room Pillow, Dinette Cushion, Living Room
Rainy Day 19722-350-E7 MO21900-007	33% Cotton	S	Lambrequin
60352/331	20% Cotton, 33%Polyester, 47%Olefin	S	Chair, Living Room Pillow, Free Standing Dinette, Living Room Lambrequin, Driver Seat
Weiden/Bermuda Loden	77% Polyester, 23% Cotton	S	Bedspread, Bed Room Pillow, Bed Room Lambrequin, Headboard
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Vinyl

Several areas of the motorhome can be covered in vinyl. These areas include the dash, items of furniture and the ceiling. The care and cleaning of these areas are outlined in the Morbern Vinyl section below.

Morbern Vinyl:

Vinyl requires periodic cleaning to maintain its neat appearance and to prevent the buildup of dirt and contaminants that may permanently stain and/or reduce the life of the vinyl if they are not removed. The frequency of cleaning depends upon the amount of use and the environmental conditions in which the vinyl is subjected. The procedures used for cleaning are dependent upon the end-use circumstances.

Normal Cleaning:

Most common stains can be cleaned using warm soapy water and clear water rinses. Moderate scrubbing with a medium bristle brush will help to loosen soil from the depressions of embossed surfaces. For stubborn stains, use the following commercially available mild detergents in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions: *Mr. Clean* or *Fantastik*. Full strength rubbing alcohol or mineral spirits may be tried cautiously as a last resort on very stubborn stains if the above suggestions do not work. Indiscriminate use of any solvent, or solvent containing cleaner, can severely damage or discolor the vinyl. Stains may become permanent if they are not removed immediately. The procedure for removal of the more severe staining agents are outlined below.



NOTE: Detergents should never be used on a regular or repeated basis for normal cleaning.



CAUTION: Powdered cleaners containing abrasives, steel wool and industrial strength cleaners are not recommended for Morbern vinyl.

Bird Excreta & Vomit Stains:

Sponge the area with soapy water containing a diluted bleach until the stain is removed. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

Urine Stains:

Sponge them with soapy water containing a small amount of household ammonia. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

Surface Mildew:

Wash with diluted bleach and use a soft brush for stubborn growth. Rinse repeatedly with clear, cold water.

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CAUTION: Any lacquer solvent will cause immediate irreparable damage to the vinyl. Wax should never be used on any vinyl upholstery, as it will cause premature embrittlement and cracking. Dilute chlorine bleach before using. Never use full strength bleach. If flammable solvents such as alcohol, turpentine, or varsol are used for cleaning, use only small quantities while in a well-ventilated area. Exercise proper caution by notifying any persons in the area. Keep away from any ignition source. Always wear protective gloves.

Ballpoint Ink:

Permanent Marker Ink spots will stain the vinyl permanently. Wipe the stain immediately with rubbing alcohol in a well ventilated area to remove much of the stain.

Oil-Base Paint:

Use turpentine in a well ventilated area to remove any fresh paint. Dried paint must be moistened using a semi-solid, gel-type stripper. The softened paint can be gently scrape away. Rinse with soap and water.



NOTE: Paint strippers will remove the print pattern and damage the vinyl if it comes in direct contact.

Latex Paint:

Fresh paint can be wiped off with a damp cloth. Hot soapy water will normally remove dried latex.

Tar or Asphalt:

Remove immediately, as prolonged contact will result in a permanent stain. Use a cloth lightly dampened with mineral spirits and rub the stain gently, working from the outer edge of the stain toward the center to prevent spreading. Rinse with soap and water.

Crayon, Mustard or Ketchup:

Sponge with mild soap and water. For stubborn stains that may have set, use a cloth soaked in diluted mild detergent with gentle rubbing. Any remaining stain should be washed with diluted bleach. Rinse repeatedly with cold water.

Chewing Gum:

Scrape off as much gum as possible using a dull knife. Rub the gum with an ice cube to harden it and make it easier to remove. In a well ventilated area, use a cloth saturated with mineral spirits and gently rub the remaining gum. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

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Lipstick, Grease, Oil, Make-Up or Shoe Polish:

Apply a small amount of mineral spirits with a cloth. Rub gently. Be careful not to spread the stain by smearing it beyond its original source. Remove shoe polish immediately as it contains a dye which will cause permanent staining. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

Candy, Ice Cream, Coffee, Tea, Fruit Stains, Liquor, Wine, Tanning Lotion or Soft Drinks:

Use lukewarm water and sponge repeatedly. Any loose material should be gently scraped with a dull knife. Any soiled area that remains after drying should be gently rubbed with a cloth, damped with a mild detergent solution. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

Blood or Plant Residue:

Rub out any spots with a clean cloth, soaked in cool water. If stubborn spots remain, use household ammonia and rinse repeatedly with a clean, wet cloth. Do not use hot water or soap suds, as this will set the stain.



NOTE: Vinyl requires periodic cleaning to maintain its appearance and to prevent the buildup of dirt and contaminants that may permanently stain or reduce the life of the vinyl if left untreated. The frequency of cleaning and procedures used depend upon the amount of use and the environmental conditions in which the vinyl is subjected to. Vinyl tears or holes can be temporarily covered with clear "office" tape to prevent further damage. Repairs should be made by a professional upholstery shop. Commercial repair products may contain lacquers, and cause the vinyl to become brittle and more difficult to repair.

Spots & Spills: Leather

Absorb excess liquid immediately with a clean cloth or sponge. Use water only if necessary. Do not use a cleaning product. If water is used, clean the entire area where the spot occurred. An example would be the entire seat cushion, or the entire arm. Let it air dry. Do not dry the wet areas with hair dryers, etc.

Stubborn Spots and Stains:

Use lukewarm water and a mild soap to work up a thin layer of suds on a piece of cheesecloth. Scrub the surface. Rinse with a piece of clean, damp cheesecloth. Let air dry. Do not use saddle soap, cleaning solvents, furniture polish, oils, varnish, abrasive cleaners, soaps or ammonia water.

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NOTE: These are recommended or suggested methods of cleaning. The manufacturer is not responsible for damage incurred while cleaning. Always test the cleaning method in an inconspicuous area first before applying to the entire area.

Floors - Carpet Cleaning

Spot Removal Procedures

- Act quickly when anything is dropped or spilled. Remove spots before they dry.
- Blot liquids with a clean, white absorbent cloth or paper towel.
- For semi-solids, scoop up with a rounded spoon.
- For solids, break up and vacuum out as much as possible.
- Pretest the spot removal agent in an inconspicuous area to make certain it will not damage the carpet or its dyes.
- Apply a small amount of the cleaning solution recommended for the particular spot. Do not scrub. Work from the edges of the spot to the center. Blot thoroughly. Repeat until spot is removed.
- Follow steps on the Carpet Spot Removal Guide.
- After each application, absorb as much as possible before proceeding to the next step.
- Absorb remaining moisture with layers of white paper towels, weighted down with a non-staining glass or ceramic object.
- When completely dry, vacuum or brush the pile to restore texture.
- If the spot is not completely removed, contact a professional carpet cleaner.

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Alcoholic Beverage			1	4	3	2			*
Ammonia				2	1				*
Bleach		1	2					3	*
Blood		1	3		2	4			
Candle Wax	1					2			
Cement & Glue	2	1	3		5	4	6		*
Chalk		1	2						
Charcoal		1	2						
Chewing Gum	1								Г
Coffee			1	3	2		4	5	*
Cosmetics		2	1	3	6	5	4	7	*
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Cleaning Solutions

- (A) Dry Cleaning Fluid: A nonflammable spot removal liquid, available in grocery and hardware stores.
- **(B)** Nail Polish Remover: Any acetate, which often has a banana fragrance. Do not use if it contains acetone.
- **(C) Detergent Solution:** Mix two cups of cold water and 1/8 teaspoon mild liquid detergent (no lanolin, non-bleach).
- **(D) Warm Water:** Lukewarm tap water.
- **(E) Vinegar Solution:** One cup white vinegar to one cup water.
- **(F) Ammonia Solution:** One tablespoon household ammonia to one cup water.
- **(G) Spot Removal Kit:** Available from retail carpet stores or professional cleaners.
- **(H) Call Professional:** Additional suggestions, special cleaning chemicals or the ability to patch the area might be available.
- (I) Permanent Change: Due to the nature of the stain, there may be color loss. The carpet has been permanently dyed or the carpet yarns have been permanently damaged.



NOTE: While the recommended cleaning agents have proven to be effective, some stains may become permanent.

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Floor - Vinyl

The vinyl flooring in the motorhome is durable and long lasting when properly taken care of. When a spill occurs, wipe it up with a damp sponge or paper towel. Avoid using cleansers containing abrasives or scouring pads as these may damage the finish of the flooring. Keep the floor clean as dirt, grit and soil can act as abrasives. A 100% latex backed floor mat may help to keep floor clean. Do not use rubber backed mats or rubber casters as they may stain the flooring. Use large protection pads with felt spots on bases of heavy stationary items to help disperse the weight. Felt spots are non-abrasive. High, stiletto type heels may permanently damage the flooring. When moving heavy objects lay a piece of plywood down to prevent accidental galling of vinyl.



NOTE: Some dishwashing liquids, oil-based cleaners and one step "polishes" may not be suitable cleaners for the flooring. They can leave an oily residue which attracts soil and reduces gloss.



CAUTION: Flooring may become extremely slippery when wet. Avoid personal injury by wiping up spills and keeping flooring dry.

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Stains, Spills and Scuffs - Vinyl Floor

STAINS & SPILLS		REMEDY	
Acids Alkalis	Fruit, Fruit Juice	Apply Congoleum Bright 'N Easy.	
Blood	Grass	No-Rinse cleaner, full strength, on a wet sponge.	
Catsup, Mustard	lodine, Mercurochrome		
Cleaners, Strong Soaps	Urine, Excrement	to 1 dilution of water to liquid bleach.	
Dye, Dye Markings	Rust	If rust stain does not respond, use lemon juice or a	
Food, Candy	rade	cream of tartar solution.	
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PAINT AND SOLVENT SPILLS		REMEDY	
Dry Cleaning Fluids	Oil Based Paints	Blot up excess at once.	
Lacquer	Wood Stains	Rub lightly with a cloth dipped in mineral spirits or	
Latex Paints	Varnish	paint thinner*.	
Nail Polish		If paint is dry, gently peel it from the floor.	
Solvents		Clean area with Congoleum Bright 'N Easy No-	
		Rinse Cleaner.	
STAINS THAT WON'T WIPE UP		REMEDY	
Adhesives	Grease	Remove excess with a dull kitchen knife. (Avoid	
Asphalt	Candle Wax	sharp instruments that could scratch the floor.)	
Chewing Gum	Tar	Rub lightly with lighter fluid* on a clean cloth. Clean	
Oil		area with Congoleum Bright 'N Easy No-Rinse	
		Cleaner. If floor appears dulled, apply Congoleum	
		Bright 'N Easy Floor Polish.	
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Floor - Laminated

The laminate flooring used in the motorhome provides style, durability and easy maintenance. The laminate flooring is a high pressure laminated flooring designed to be incorporated as a floating floor. The flooring material is constructed of three main components. The surface, similar to many countertops, contains aluminum oxide particles to form an extremely hard, durable surface. The carrier, or core layer, is constructed from high density fiberboard. A tongue and groove design will allow for a tighter bond. The backer, or bottom layer, is also made of laminate for balance and strength.

Care and Cleaning:

Everyday cleaning is as simple as vacuuming the floor to remove dirt and debris. A cotton string mop is recommended for occasional mopping with a minimal amount of water. Use a mixture of soap-free household cleaner and water (vinegar and ammonia both work well) for a more thorough cleaning.

- Stains should be wiped away with a damp cloth.
- Stains caused by inks or paints may require a cloth moistened with acetone (nail polish remover).
- Stains caused by gum or tar should be allowed to harden completely, then gently scraped away.
- Felt protectors on the bottom of furniture and floor mats can preserve the beauty and appearance of the flooring.



CAUTION: Abrasive cleaners and scouring pads can scratch and damage the flooring. Never wax, sand or apply lacquer to laminate flooring.



NOTE: Any unusual or unique problems can be addressed by contacting Wilsonart at (800) 433-3222.

Floor - Tile

Regular maintenance is all it takes to keep the tile in the motorhome looking showroom new. When using your slide-out, be sure to clean the tile floor when the slide-out is extended to prevent dirt from scratching your tiles when the slide-out is retracted.

Cleaning Tile:

Clean tiles with a damp sponge mop or cloth to maintain their luster. If moderate staining occurs, cleaning with a window cleaner such as *Windex* should do the job. If you prefer, use a mild solution of hot water and all purpose cleaner for tile floors, walls and countertops. Rinse with clear water and be sure to dry with a soft cloth to prevent streaking. Avoid cleaning tile with soap. Soap forms a film to dull the luster. Soap also promotes the growth of mildew and bacteria.

If the grout requires cleaning, scrub with a plastic brush. Do not use steel wool as small particles may remain and produce unsightly stains. Powdered cleaners

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should not be used on unglazed tile floors. Undissolved powder will dull the surface. In addition, sealers are not recommended on unglazed tiles. With the exception of terra cotta, which may be oiled or waxed, you won't need to polish or buff the tiles to maintain their finish.



NOTE: Before using any solution to clean your tile, be sure to check the manufacturer's warning label to insure the product's safety. If you have any doubt, test the solution in an inconspicuous place.

Showers are susceptible to soap build up. Showers should be cleaned weekly to prevent burdensome clean-up. Using the same solution used to clean tile floors will be sufficient for the shower. However, to control mildew growth spray the shower with household chlorine bleach and allow it to stand for five minutes. Clean the glass shower doors with window cleaner on a weekly basis to maintain the shine. If water spots cannot be remove from the glass, rub lightly with the flat edge of a razor blade to remove the deposits.

To prevent excessive moisture and a continual growth of mildew, use the shower only with adequate ventilation. The sealant in a regularly used shower should be replaced once a year. To replace the sealant, remove the old sealant using a sharp instrument. Apply a new sealant, which can be found at most recreational vehicle supply stores.

Cleaning Shower

Time is very important when removing substances from wall coverings that are solvent based or contain color. Do not use abrasive cleaners containing chlorine bleach or solvents (Fidelity and Joilie brands are recommended). Always begin with a mild detergent or soap and warm water. To remove normal dirt clean with a soft sponge. Rinse and wipe it dry.

Wall Coverings

Care for the Satinsque Wall Covering:

Any stain should be removed as quickly as possible to maintain any reaction between the staining agent and the wall covering. Time is very important when removing substances that are solvent based or contain color. Examples: nail polish, oil, shampoo, lacquer, enamel, paint, ink and lipstick. Always begin cleaning with a mild detergent such as soap. If necessary, move to a stronger cleaner such as household bleach, liquid household cleaners or rubbing alcohol. Before using one of the stronger cleaners test the cleaning agent on a small, inconspicuous portion of the wallcovering first to make sure that the cleaner does not affect the color or gloss of the wall covering.

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Normal dirt:

Remove normal dirt using a mild soap or detergent and warm water. Allow it to soak for a few minutes then rub briskly with a cloth or sponge.

Nail polish, Shellac, or Lacquer:

Remove liquid using a dry cloth. Use care not to spread the stain. Quickly, clean the remaining stain with rubbing alcohol. Rinse with clean water.

Ink:

Remove immediately by wiping with a cloth dampened in rubbing alcohol. Rinse with clean water.

Chewing gum:

Rub the gum with an ice cube to cool and harden it. Gently, pull off the bulk of the gum. Remove any remaining gum with rubbing alcohol.

Pencil:

Erase as much of the pencil mark as possible. Wipe any remaining marks with rubbing alcohol.

Blood, Feces or Urine:

Remove these staining substances as quickly as possible. Wash the stained area with a strong soap. If the stain does not disappear, rinse the soapy area thoroughly with clean water. Mix a solution of 50% water and 50% household bleach. Clean the stained area with the bleach solution. Rinse with clean water.

Care for Tower Wall Covering:

Remove ordinary stains with mild soap and warm water. Sponge it on. Rinse well and dry with a soft cloth.

Special cleaning problems: To remove ball point pen, blood, lipstick, etc., use a sponge or soft bristle brush and *Formula 409*, *Fantastik* or a similar product. Rinse well and dry. Finish cleaning by applying full strength isopropyl alcohol with a sponge or soft brush. Rinse well and dry.

Countertops - Solid Surface

The Solid Surface was created for a lifetime of easy care. Just follow the simple guidelines listed here to keep your surfaces looking good.

Routine Care:

The motorhome countertops are finished with one type of finish: matte/satin. All solid surface sinks and bowls have the matte/satin finish. Soapy water or ammonia-based cleaners will remove most dirt and stains from all tops and bowls. However, slightly different techniques must be used to remove different stains. Follow the recommendations below.

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Cleaning Countertops:

- Most dirt and stains: Use soapy water or ammonia-based cleaner.
- Water marks: Wipe with damp cloth and towel dry.
- Difficult stains: Use soft scrub and a Grey Scotchbrite Pad.
- Disinfecting: Occasionally wipe surface with diluted household bleach (one part water and one part bleach).

Cleaning Solid Surfaces Sink:

Occasionally clean by using *Soft Scrub Liquid Cleanser* and a Grey *Scotchbrite* Pad. Scrub the sink, rinse and towel dry. Do this as often as you feel necessary.

Removing Cuts and Scratches:

Because the beauty of the surface goes all the way through the Solid Surface, the countertops are completely renewable. Use the following instructions to remove minor cuts and scratches.

- Sand with 180 grit and then 320 grit sandpaper until the scratch is gone.
- Restore the finish using a Grey *Scotchbrite* Pad. Never sand hard in one small area. Feather out lightly to blend restoration.

Preventing Heat Damage:

The Solid Surface withstands heat better than ordinary surface materials; however, hot pans and some heat-generating appliances, such as frying pans or crockpots, can damage the surface. To prevent heat damage, always use a hot pad or a trivet with rubber feet to protect the surface. In most cases the surface can be repaired if it is accidentally damaged.

Other Important Tips:

Avoid using strong chemicals on the Solid Surface such as paint removers or oven cleaners. If these come in contact with the Solid Surface quickly wash with water. Avoid contact with nail polish or nail polish remover. If contact is made quickly wash with water.



NOTE: Do not cut directly on the solid surface. Always run cold water into the Solid Surface sink when pouring boiling water into the sink.

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Countertops - Granicoat

Granicoat countertops are designed for high moisture and heavy wear. It is stain resistant and requires no special cleaning products to ensure the beautiful appearance day in and day out. Coffee, ink and other stains will not harm the surface. Vanities made of Granicoat require special care in usage. To preserve the finish avoid sharply striking the surface. Heavy use may require additional buffing to maintain the finish.

A few other simple precautions to consider with the Granicaot surface. Do not place hot pans directly on the surface. Use a trivet under heated appliances such as crock pots, electric fry pans, etc. Strong acids such as oven cleaners, drain cleaners, paint strippers and toilet bowl cleaners should be used cautiously around the Granicoat surfaces. When left on the surface, whiting and other problems may be difficult to remove.

DO NOT USE THE SURFACE AS A CUTTING BOARD. Minor cuts and scratches can be repaired. Deep cuts will require the service of a professional. Superficial scratches may be removed using a wet Scotch Brite buffing pad. Deeper scratches may require use of sandpaper.



NOTE: Deep scratches may be removed by carefully sanding with 180 grit sandpaper first, followed by 220 grit sandpaper. Finish the process with a wet Scotch-Brite buffing pad. Rub in a circular motion until the scratch has been removed. Clean thoroughly with soap and water and allow the surface to air dry.

Normal Cleaning:

Use a cloth or sponge with a mild detergent such as *Fantastik* or 409 to wipe the surface. A mild abrasive cleaner such as *Nom Ami* or *Soft Scrub* can be used on matte finish. Rub over the entire surface with an abrasive cleaner or a wet *Scotch-Brite* buffing pad to maintain a uniform finish.

Spills and Stains:

Some spills such as tea, food dyes and fruit drinks may require a more aggressive cleaning. Stubborn stains can be removed using full strength bleach followed by a general cleaner. Rinse with water. Most other stains and spills can be removed using normal cleaning techniques.



NOTE: Bleach should not be left on the surface for more than five minutes. An abrasive cleaner can be used on a matte surface to maintain the finish.

Cigars and Cigarettes:

If a lighted cigar or cigarette comes in contact with the Granicoat Surface the surface will not burn; however, a nicotine stain or scorch mark may be left. Cleaning with an abrasive cleaner or a wet *Scotch-Brite* buffing pad rubbed in a circular motion will remove either the stain or mark

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Clean Laminate countertops with a damp cloth or sponge. Use a spray cleaner to remove stubborn stains. Avoid using harsh abrasines, scouring powders, peroxides or bleaches as these products may dull or damage the surface. Avoid contact with dyes, bleaches and indelible inks used on food packages. Do not use laminated countertops as a cutting board. Laminated countertops are resistant to minor heat; however, hot pans, irons and lighted cigarettes will damage the surface. Use hot pads under pans taken directly from the stovetop.

Countertops - Laminate

Water Spots:

Windows

Any glass will develop water spots if the glass is not cleaned properly. A spotting effect is magnified when the glass has a reflective finish. Use a squeegee immediately after washing to reduce water spotting. To remove stubborn water stains from reflective glass we recommend *Cerium Oxide Polishing Compound*, made by C.R. Lawrence, available at most glass shops.

Condensation:

Condensation is a natural phenomenon. The amount of condensation will vary with climate conditions, particularly in relative humidity. Condensation occurs from water vapor present in the air. Each of us add more vapors by breathing, bathing, cooking, etc. Water vapor collects wherever there is available air space. When the temperature reaches the dew point, the water vapor in the air condenses and changes to liquid form.

Controlling Moisture Condensation:

Reduce or eliminate interior moisture condensation during cold weather by using the following steps:

- Partially open the roof vents and windows so that outside air can circulate into the interior. Increase the ventilation when larger numbers of people are in the motorhome. Even in raining or snowing conditions the air outside will be far drier than the interior air.
- Install a dehumidifier. Continuous use of a dehumidifier is effective in removing excess moisture from the interior air. Using a dehumidifier is not a cure-all, however, it will reduce the amount of outside air needed for ventilation.
- Run the range vent fan when cooking, and the bath vent fan (or open the bath vent) when bathing, to reduce water vapor. Avoid excessive boiling or use of hot water as it produces steam.
- Do not heat the motorhome interior with the range or oven. Heating with the range or oven increases the risk of toxic fumes and allows oxygen depletion. Also, open flames add moisture to the interior air increasing condensation.

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• In very cold weather leave the cabinet and closet doors partially open. The air flow will warm and ventilate the interior of the storage compartments and the exterior wall surface, reducing or eliminating condensation and prevent the possibility of ice formations.

Mini-blinds (Optional)

- To maintain the miniblinds on a frequent basis, vacuum with the brush attachment, or use a dusting tool (available on the market) designed specifically for mini-blinds.
- Wash the miniblinds with mild soap and water in a tub, or hang the blinds on a fence or wall and gently rinse them with a hose.

Day/Night Shades

The day/night shades are made of a polyester blended material. Use the following guidelines to care and maintain the day/night shades.

- Vacuum with a brush attachment.
- Use a weak solution of dish soap and water to spot clean the blinds with a slightly damp cloth. Avoid soaking or saturating the shades with water. This will break down the finish of the shade.
- When not in use, leave the shades folded up. This helps to hold the shape of the pleats.
- String tension for the shades should be equal. The tension can be adjusted if the shades will not remain folded up.

STORAGE - Short Term

Short term storage is defined as storing the motorhome for a period of thirty days or less. Properly preparing the motorhome during periods of short term storage will make bringing the motorhome out of storage a much easier process. Winterize the plumbing system if the motorhome is stored in winter months or if stored when temperatures are below 32° F.

Checklist-Short Term Storage

- If applicable, retract the slide room(s). Do not store the motorhome with slide room(s) extended.
- Shut off all appliances. Close the LP-Gas valve.
- Remove all articles from refrigerator/freezer and clean thoroughly. Prop doors open to prevent mildew.
- The holding tanks should be drained and fresh water system winterized with potable antifreeze or winterize the plumbing system using air pressure.
- Retract and secure all awnings.
- Turn the battery cut-off switch OFF.
- If applicable, disable auto-genstart feature.
- Batteries should be stored fully charged. Batteries stored in a discharged state will readily freeze.

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- If possible, park the motorhome leaving the batteries accessible.
 This allows battery to be charged or changed without moving the motorhome.
- If available, leave the motorhome hooked to shore power. Leave the main battery disconnect switches ON.
- Careful placement of a small heat source in the interior will help control moisture. Desiccate filter systems will help remove interior moisture.
- If AC power is not available turn main battery disconnect switches OFF.
- If possible, store the motorhome inside a storage building.
- If stored outside, inspect all seams and seals for possible leakage.
- Store the motorhome with a full fuel tank to help against moisture condensing at top of fuel tank.
- Vents and windows should be closed to prevent wind driven rain entrance.
- Tires should be stored at maximum inflation pressure.
- A full interior inspection for water leaks should be made bi-monthly, inspecting behind all cabinet doors and drawers.

Long term storage of the motorhome can be defined as leaving a motorhome unattended for a period of thirty days or more. A motorhome requires protection from the elements just as a house or a car would. When left out in the environment, without proper storage or maintenance, a motorhome, house or car is vulnerable to the moisture and oxidation processes inherent in the environment.

There are preventative measures which should be taken and preferable situations to use when storing a motorhome. Such measures will aid in protecting and preventing a motorhome from the damaging effects caused by an accumulation of moisture.



NOTE: The natural process of moisture in the air condensing will occur with temperature changes of 30° Fahrenheit or more in one day. Humidity readings of 60% or greater will allow the accumulated moisture to remain for extended periods of time.

If the motorhome is stored in a location where AC power is not available:

- Turn off all appliances.
- If possible, situate the motorhome so the batteries remain accessible. This allows a battery to be charged or replaced without moving the motorhome.
- Charge the batteries to a full state of charge.
- Turn the main battery disconnects to OFF.

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- When stored outside, use the available DC volt meters to make a quick reference check of the batteries while the motorhome is in storage. If the motorhome is stored outside solar panels may offset the parasitic loads.
- Preventative measures should be used if the voltage readings are low. By using preventative measures, bringing the motorhome out of storage or moving the motorhome in case of an emergency is a much easier process.



NOTE: Batteries in a low state of charge will readily freeze. Freezing will damage the battery.

If AC power is available:

• Shore power cord should be plugged in. Both main battery disconnect switches will remain ON. The converter will charge the unit batteries. A 30 amp shore power service will be more than adequate.



CAUTION: A 20 amp service using light duty extension cords and the required adapters create serious voltage losses. Line voltage loss and the resistance at each electrical connection is a hazardous combination and should be avoided. Damage to sensitive electronic equipment may result!

Type of surface to park and store the motorhome on:

The type of surface the motorhome is parked upon will have an effect on how much moisture accumulation occurs on the chassis and flooring. Moisture can eventually seep into the interior. Further, the type of surface can affect the tires.

- Gravel covered parking areas still allow moisture to evaporate from the ground, through the gravel and to the underside of the motorhome.
- Concrete pads seal the surface, allowing better ventilation under the motorhome.
- Storage buildings with concrete floors or heated storage facilities greatly reduce the amount of moisture accumulation and protect the motorhome from moisture damage.
- Wet, oily, or greasy areas should be avoided. Highly reflective surfaces such as sand or snow also should be avoided. Finally, heat absorbent surfaces, such as black asphalt, will cause problems.

If the motorhome is stored outdoors:

• The interior should be heated to help prevent mold and mildew growth. Moisture removing desiccate filter systems are available from hardware and RV supply stores. Place the filter system inside the motorhome to reduce inside moisture condensation or humidity. These systems help control mold and mildew growth.

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- Proper winterization of the fresh water system will prevent potential damage in extreme cold.
- Ultraviolet radiation affects soft goods and rubber products such as: privacy curtains, window shades and tires. These items should be protected.
- Cardboard templates can be made for the windows to protect these items from exposure to direct sunlight.
- Tire covers are available to protect the sidewall of the tires from cracking. Make sure the tires contain the correct air pressure. Underinflated tires can be damaged.
- Washing the exterior regularly will help control moss accumulation. The clear coat has UV protective substances. Waxing the motorhome twice a year will augment these substances.

Inspect the motorhome:

- Perform a full interior inspection for water leaks every two weeks while the motorhome is in storage. Open all cabinet doors looking for signs of dampness or leaks.
 Inspect the ceiling areas around roof vents or other roof openings.
- The roof and sidewall seams should be inspected and cleaned at least twice a year. Inspect for exterior sealant gaps of all roof seams, vents, skylights, roof air conditioners and windows. If necessary, use the proper sealants and recommended application procedures.

Fuel:

• A full tank of fuel will help prevent moisture from condensing at the top of the tank. Fuel stabilizers may be added to help prevent the microbe growth.

Brakes:

• Brakes also suffer from non-use during periods of storage. The bare metal machined surfaces of brake drums or rotors have only a light coating of dust from the brake lining friction material. The brake dust is the only thing protecting the bare metal surfaces from rusting. Only regular brake applications dry the moisture preventing rust on brake drum or rotor surfaces. During periods of non-use, oxygen and moisture oxidize the machined surfaces. Only occasional use keeps these surfaces from oxidizing. Rusty brake drum or rotor

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surfaces permeate the brake linings upon the first few applications, reducing the friction action of the linings.

Engine:

• Internal combustion engines need to be "exercised" on a regular basis. This will ensure that an adequate supply of lubricating oil coats the cylinder walls and piston rings. Valve and valve seat surfaces also suffer from non-use. Some valves will remain open depending at which part of the combustion cycle the engine has stopped. The heat and cold of the day allows moisture to accumulate through the exhaust system.

Electric Motors:

- Electric motors in the motorhome should be operated occasionally to help lubricate and keep surfaces rotating freely. These items include the roof air conditioners, dash fans, dash blower motor, furnace, heat exchangers and powered roof vents.
- **Plumbing Lines** Drain and protect by filling with approved RV antifreeze.
- Fresh Water Tank Drain.
- **Body** Clean and wax. Oil locks and hinges. Repair roof seams as needed
- Countertop and Cabinets Wash with mild soap and water.
- Curtains Remove and clean according to care specifications.
- **Windows** To protect the interior fabric from fading, cover windows by pulling blinds, closing shades or using a separate cover such as a sheet.
- Holding Tank Drain and rinse. Close valves.



Add a small amount of antifreeze to keep valves and gaskets lubricated.

- **Drain Traps** Pour RV antifreeze down all drains.
- Batteries Add distilled water and recharge if needed. If applicable, disconnect the cables, remove the batteries and store them in a cool dry place. Check and recharge as needed. Never park the coach where the battery door can not be opened.
- **Refrigerator** Clean and leave both doors propped open. Cover the exterior panels and roof vents.
- Air Conditioner Remove the air filters. Clean or replace.

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- Roof Keep clear of snow accumulation or damage may occur.
- Interior/Exterior Storing under cover or indoors helps extend interior and exterior life

If the motorhome was properly and carefully prepared for storage, removing it from storage will not be difficult. The following checklist pertains to items or areas which should be checked before operating or moving the motorhome. If the motorhome was not properly winterized, extensive freeze damage or other serious deterioration may have occurred. Consult a dealer or an authorized service center for advice.

Storage Removal

- Thoroughly inspect the outside of motorhome. Look for animal nests in the wheel wells or in other out of the way places.
- Remove all appliance flue vent covers, ceiling vent covers and air conditioning covers. Be sure the refrigerator openings are free of debris, insect nests, webs, etc.
- Open all doors and compartments. Check for animal or insect intrusion, water damage or other types of damage which may have occurred.
- Check the state of charge of the batteries. If necessary fill the cells with distilled water only and charge as necessary. Inspect the cable ends and terminals. They should be clean and free of corrosion.
- Check all the chassis fluid levels: engine oil, engine coolant, hydraulic fluid reservoir, transmission oil and rear axle oil.
- Start the engine, allowing it to reach operating temperature. Ensure the engine instruments are indicating proper readings.
- While the engine is running check the operation of headlights, tail lights, turn signals, back-up lights, license plate light and emergency flasher. Operate the dash air conditioner. If the air conditioner does not work, or the compressor makes unusual noises, have the system checked by a qualified air conditioner technician.
- Shut the engine down. Adjust or add fluids as necessary. Inspect the engine for fluid leaks. Look under the motorhome for any other type of fluid leaks.
- Drain, sanitize and flush the fresh water system as outlined in the Water Section. Inspect the sewer drain hose and connections for leaks. Replace if necessary.
- Operate all faucets and fixtures in the fresh water system. Run a sufficient amount of fresh water through all the water lines and faucets to thoroughly purge any potable antifreeze from the fresh water system.

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NOTE: Discard at least the first two trays of ice from the icemaker to ensure the ice does not contain traces of antifreeze or other contaminates.

- Open cabinet doors and drawers inspecting for water leaks at joints or fittings. Repair as necessary.
- Operate all 12 Volt lights and accessories. If something does not work there may be a bad 12 Volt circuit breaker or blown fuse.
- Install new batteries in battery operated safety detectors or devices. Test the carbon monoxide, LP-Gas and smoke detectors for proper operation.
- Check that the monitor panel is functioning properly.
- Inspect the 120 Volt electrical system which includes the power cord, converter, all outlets and exposed wiring.



NOTE: Prepare the generator for operation following the instructions in the Generator Manual.

- Start and run the generator.
- Ensure the batteries are being charged. Operate the 120 Volt appliances and air conditioners. If an electrical item or appliance is not functioning properly, contact the dealer or an authorized service center to have it evaluated.
- Have a qualified technician inspect the LP-Gas system and perform an LP Gas leak test. The leak test should also include an LP-Gas regulator adjustment (if needed). The test can also verify if the regulator is faulty and should be replaced. Have the LP-Gas tank inspected.
- Operate each LP-Gas appliance. Observe all burner/pilot flames for proper color and size.
- Inspect and clean the interior.
- Check the sealant around all roof and body seams and windows. Reseal if necessary.
- Lubricate all the exterior locks, hinges and latches with a graphite lubricant.
- Check the windshield wiper blade condition. Check the wiper/washer operation.
- Wash and wax the exterior. Inspect the body for scratches or other damage; touch up or repair as necessary. Flush the underside thoroughly.
- Run through the operational checks for steering, brakes, engine and transmission. Operate the motorhome slowly during these checks to allow sufficient circulation of fluids and resetting of the components.
- If desired, have the dealer or repair center double check any preparation and correct any defects or make any necessary adjustments.

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This section covers operation and care of various appliances found in the motorhome. The motorhome is equipped with a refrigerator, cooktop, microwave, furnace, water heater, roof air conditioner and several optional appliances. Many of these appliances operate on AC or DC current, LP-Gas or a combination of all three

INTRODUCTION



Detailed information with CAUTION or WARNING instructions for the various appliances, other than what is found in this section, can be found in the manufacturer manuals.



WARNING: Before entering any type of refueling station make sure all LP-Gas operated appliances are off. Most LP-Gas appliances used in recreational vehicles are vented to the outside. When parked close to a gasoline pump it is possible for fuel vapors to enter this type of appliance and ignite, resulting in an explosion or fire. Carbon monoxide gas may cause nausea, fainting or death. Operating an LP-Gas appliance with inadequate ventilation or partial blockage of the flue can result in carbon monoxide poisoning. Do not store flammable liquids such as lighter fluid, gasoline or propane in the outside refrigerator compartment.

REFRIGERATOR

The refrigerator in the motorhome operates on a different principle than a standard household refrigerator. Knowing these differences should answer questions or solve problems that may arise. A standard household refrigerator uses a different type of refrigerant. In a household refrigerator the compressor pumps refrigerant vapor into a condenser where the heat from the refrigerant dissipates and the vapor changes to a liquid. The liquid refrigerant is pumped through a metered orifice or capillary tube at the evaporator. At this time the refrigerant changes from liquid to a vapor. This change cools the evaporator. Air is then blown across the evaporator and into the interior of the refrigerator. This system is efficient as long as 120 Volts AC is available; however, this does not allow the freedom a recreational vehicle is designed to give.

The recreational vehicle refrigerator uses a combination of fluids and gas for refrigeration: ammonia, water, sodium chromate and hydrogen gas. This combination is put into a pressurized cooling unit at approximately 350 psi. It is heated to a gaseous state, which then rises to the top of the cooling unit into a condenser where it forms droplets as it cools. As the vapor condenses it "extracts or absorbs" heat out from the inside of the refrigerator. Using gravity the droplets return through the absorber coils to the absorber vessel to start the process again. To insure longevity and proper operation of the cooling unit follow the specific instructions for use and care. With the proper care and maintenance the refrigerator should provide years of trouble free service.

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Operation Specifics

The refrigerator operates from either LP-Gas or 120 Volts AC electric. Controls are electronic which require the DC Voltage to be no higher than 15.4 Volts DC or lower than 10.5 Volts DC. The AC voltage limits are 132 Volts AC (Volts Alternating Current) maximum and 108 Volts AC minimum. The refrigerator (from front view) needs to be leveled within 3° side to side and 6° front to back. Using a torpedo or bulls eye (fence post) level, place the level onto the freezer plate. The level should be within the circle by a half of a bubble. Generally, this is within comfortable living conditions. The heat source for the cooling unit is supplied by an electric heating element or an LP-Gas flame. The heat source, which is calibrated in BTU's (British Thermal Units), is concentrated to a specific area of the cooling unit. Refrigerator operation in an "off level" condition separates the sodium chromate and crystallize from the heat source, which blocks the recirculation action of the cooling unit and causes accumulative, irreparable damage. The LP side of the refrigerator and the LP-Gas pressure need to be serviced yearly, depending on use. Over time the BTU rating can change, which will affect the refrigerator's performance. Ambient air temperature and humidity can also affect its performance and function. The BTU rating lowers when operating LP-Gas at an altitude higher than 5,500 feet. This affects the refrigerator's performance. If possible, switch mode operation to 120 Volts AC electric while at a higher altitude.



WARNING: Do not use the refrigerator if there is an ammonia smell inside or outside of the refrigerator, or if a yellowish substance appears inside the box or in the outside access compartment. This can be an indication of a refrigerant leak. Contact an authorized repair facility.

Tips

- If possible, cool items first before putting them into the refrigerator.
- Keep the doors shut. Think about what you want before opening the doors.
- Allow the refrigerator 24 hours of operation before actual use to help it get a "head start" with the refrigeration process.
- A box of open baking soda will help absorb food odors. Wipe up any spilled soda.

The refrigerator can be operated by an optional inverter. This feature keeps the refrigerator contents cool while traveling by supplying the 120 Volt AC.

To enable this feature:

- 1. Turn the inverter ON.
- 2. Turn the refrigerator ON. Select AC power operation.



NOTE: Use this feature only when the engine is running. Failure to disable this feature with the engine off will result in dead house batteries. Hook to shore power or turn the inverter off and switch the refrigerator to LP-Gas operation.

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The refrigerator controls are DC (direct current) operated through an electronic circuit board. The refrigerator, which operates from heat as described above, gets its heat source two different ways: an electric heating element or a flame from LP-Gas. Mode operation and temperature selection is made by controls on the face of the refrigerator. In order for the refrigerator to operate the house batteries must be charged, the LP-Gas valve on, the water valve on (ice maker option only) and the refrigerator AC cord plugged in (located in outside refrigerator access door). If the controls do not light up, check the house batteries' charge status or see if the 12 Volt wires are plugged into the refrigerator's circuit board (located outside in the refrigerator access door).

Refrigerator Controls

The refrigerator uses an audible alarm that will sound for the following reasons:

Alarm

- 1. DC or AC voltage is higher or lower than allowed specifications.
- 2. Refrigerator is set to auto mode and the 120 Volts AC is discontinued.
- 3. Liquid Petroleum Gas mode fails to light initially or fails to light after a period of operation.
- 4. Door has been left open longer than two minutes.
- 5. The circuit board detects a failure resulting in a code being displayed.



NOTE: If the alarm sounds, note the code in the LED display and turn the refrigerator off to silence the alarm. Refer to the manufacturer's manual for the list of codes and their meanings.



NOTE: Keep the interior box temperature at or below 54° F to reduce the possibility of food spoilage. The refrigerator works harder to keep a low box temperature, especially in hot, humid climates. Low box temperature may also add quicker frost build-up.



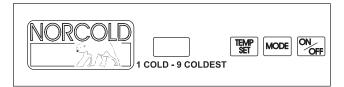
WARNING: Make sure all flames are extinguished and the LP-Gas valve is off before refueling. LP-Gas and gasoline are highly flammable which can ignite, resulting in an explosion, fire or death. Many states have passed laws regarding having the LP-Gas valve open while traveling. Know the laws for the particular state in which you are traveling.

The refrigerator doors are positive lock style doors that close with a "click" to prevent accidental door opening while traveling. When storing the motorhome the refrigerator doors have a storage position that locks the doors partially open. This will help reduce odor from mold and bacteria build-up. A completely closed up refrigerator in storage is a perfect habitat for molds and bacteria to grow. To use the storage feature open doors approximately a half inch and slide the latch into the cut-out of the strike plate.

Doors

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Control Panel-1200 Series



The Refrigerator Control Panel requires 12 Volt DC to operate.

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- **ON/OFF Button** Press this button to turn the refrigerator ON. Press and hold this button to turn the refrigerator OFF.
- **LED Display** This screen is used for fault code display.
- MODE Button Press and hold this button to cycle the refrigerator through the different modes available: AUTO, AC and LP modes. Release the button when the desired mode is displayed.
- **TEMP SET Button** Press and hold the button to select the desired temperature setting. Five settings are available, from COLD to COLDEST.

Control Panel-800 Series



The Refrigerator Control Panel requires 12 Volt DC to operate. OM030805.eps

- LCD Display Window has a light which illuminates when any button is pressed and remains on for 10 seconds after button is released.
- **ON/OFF Button** Press this button to turn the refrigerator ON. Press and hold this button to turn the refrigerator OFF.
- MODE Button Press and hold this button to cycle the refrigerator through the different modes available: AUTO, AC and LP modes. Release the button when the desired mode is displayed.
- **TEMP SET Button** Press and hold the button to select the desired temperature setting. Five settings are available from COLD to COLDEST.

Manual Mode Operation

This mode will lock the refrigerator into either LP-Gas or electric AC operation. Press and hold the **MODE** button until LP or AC is displayed. Release when the desired function is lit. The Alarm will sound and a code will be displayed if the function selected is interrupted or a failure occurs. Note the code and turn the refrigerator off to silence the alarm. Refer to the manufacturer's manual for a list of codes and their meanings.

Automatic Mode Operation

This feature will automatically select 120 Volts AC over LP-Gas operation. If 120 Volts AC is available it will use this source for operation until AC service has been discontinued. When AC is discontinued the alarm will sound and the refrigerator will automatically switch to LP-Gas operation. If the refrigerator fails to light the alarm will sound and a code will be displayed.

Press and hold the **MODE** button until **AUTO** is displayed, release the button. Press and hold the **TEMP SET** button until desired temperature is displayed,

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release button. In **AUTO** mode, AC or LP will remain lit for 10 seconds upon initial start or when mode has changed.

The ice maker works from 120 Volts AC only. The ice maker will start to function only after the freezer temperature is low enough. City water or the water pump must be on and the valve (located under the refrigerator) for the water supply line to the ice maker must be on. Pulling the metal arm (bail) down will turn the ice maker on. Pushing the arm up will turn the ice maker off

Ice Maker Operation (Optional)

If the ice maker is in operation while the motorhome is in motion water may spill out of the ice tray. Raise the ice maker arm to stop ice production while the motorhome is in transit.



NOTE: Do not use the first one or two trays of ice if the refrigerator has been in storage. Ice cubes may have contaminates. Do not operate the ice maker without water pressure supplied to the refrigerator. This can cause damage to the ice maker assembly.

The refrigerator is equipped with a heating element located in the flapper on the left door (four door model), or in the door (two door model). The heating element is activated when the refrigerator is turned on to any mode to help prevent moisture build-up in high humidity conditions. High Humidity Operation

The cooling unit is equipped with a pair of cooling fans to help pass air across the cooling unit. These fans start automatically and will be audible when in operation.

Cooling Unit Fans (Four Door Models)

Turn the refrigerator off and remove all items. Leave the drip tray under the cooling fins. **Do not** use heating guns, hair dryer or sharp objects to remove frost build-up, as these can damage the interior. Leave all doors open. Defrost time can be shortened using trays of warm water. Wipe off excess water using paper towels or cotton cloth.

Defrosting the Refrigerator

Wipe using only cotton or paper towels. Products such as *Formula 409*, *Dawn* and *Fantastik* are acceptable cleaners. Do not use scouring pads or abrasive cleanser as these can damage the interior finish.

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MICROWAVE OVEN

The microwave oven is operated from 120 Volt AC supplied by either shore power, the generator or the inverter. Microwaves heat food using sound waves generated at a very high frequency (2,450 MHZ) to agitate the water molecules inside the item being heated. The higher the water content is to solids, the faster the response or the shorter the cooking time. Inside the microwave is a turntable that rotates when the microwave is operating. This will help heat the food evenly. The turntable can be turned off if a baking dish or other large item is used. The microwave is designed to sit over a range or cooktop. When cooking from the cooktop, use the microwave's two speed ventilation fan. The fan draws air in from the bottom of the microwave through a pair of grease filters then discharges the filtered air out through a charcoal filter at the top. The ventilation fan is controlled by a thermostat and activates automatically from heat produced by the cooktop.

The microwave offers many different features. Some include varied cooking times with different power settings: automatic sensor cooking, a kitchen timer, metric to American conversion chart (which includes temperature and weight), on screen programming help, childproof lockout and auto defrost cycles. The screen can display one of three different languages.

After placing the food in a suitable container, open the oven door and put it on the glass tray. The glass tray and roller guide must always be in place during cooking. Ensure the door is firmly closed before use.

- The oven light is only on when the microwave oven is operating.
- The oven door can be opened at any time during operation by touching the door release button on the control panel. The oven will automatically shut off.
- Each time a pad is touched a "beep" will sound to acknowledge the touch.
- The oven automatically cooks on full power unless set to a lower power level.
- The display will show ":0" when the oven is plugged in.
- The time clock returns to the present time when the cooking time ends. When the STOP/CLEAR pad is touched during the oven operation the oven stops cooking and all information is retained. To erase all information (except the present time) touch the STOP/CLEAR pad once more. If the oven door is opened during the oven operation all information is retained.
- If the START pad is touched and the oven does not operate, check the area between the door and door seal for obstructions and make sure the door is closed securely. The oven will not start cooking until the door is completely closed or the program has been reset.

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Operation

Use the manufacturer's operations to operate the microwave oven. Read it carefully and keep it for reference. Another useful item is the microwave cookbook. Many will contain information about cooking principles, techniques, hints and recipes. Ensure food is in the microwave during operations to absorb the microwave energy. The magnetron, cycling on and off, may be heard or power levels less than 100%.

Microwave Tips:

- Turn the oven off before cleaning.
- Keep the inside of the oven clean. When food spatters or spilled liquids adhere to oven walls, wipe with a damp cloth. Mild detergent may be used if the oven gets dirty. The use of a harsh detergent or abrasive cleaner is not recommended.
- Clean the outside oven surface with soap and water. Wipe away any residue using a damp cloth. Dry with a soft cloth. To prevent damage to the operating parts inside the oven do not allow water to seep into the ventilation openings.
- If the control panel becomes wet, clean with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use harsh detergents or abrasives on the control panel.
- If steam accumulates inside or around the outside of the oven door wipe it away with a soft cloth. This may occur when the microwave oven is operated under high humidity conditions and in no way indicates a malfunction of the unit.
- It is occasionally necessary to remove the glass tray for cleaning. Wash the tray in warm sudsy water or in a dishwasher.
- The roller guide and oven cavity floor should be cleaned regularly to avoid excessive noise. Simply wipe the bottom surface of the oven with mild detergent water or window cleaner and then dry. The roller guide may be washed in mild sudsy water.



NOTE: The microwave is for food preparation only. Do not use the microwave to dry clothes, newspapers, shoes or other items.

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About Cooking:

- Food should be arranged with the thickest areas towards the outside of the dish.
- Monitor cooking times. Use the shortest amount of time required for cooking and add time as needed. For popcorn, follow product instructions and carefully monitor for the duration of popping time.
- Cover the food while cooking to prevent splatter and reduce condensation.
- Stir the food from the outside of the dish to the center, once or twice, between cooking.
- Turn food over during cooking to speed cooking times. Large food items should be turned at least once during cooking time.
- Use standing times to prevent overcooking. Covered food will continue to cook after it is removed from the microwave oven.
- Check for indications that the food is thoroughly cooked.
 - Food is steaming throughout, not just around the edges.
- Poultry thigh joints come apart and move easily.
- Meat or poultry is not pink in color.
- Fish is opaque and flakes easily with a fork.
- Center bottom of the dish is very hot to touch.

A meat thermometer is the best way to ensure that the food is cooked. The meat thermometer should be inserted into the thickest part of the meat, away from bone or fat. Most food should range between 160° F to 180° F. Never leave the thermometer in during cooking as it can shatter.

FOOD	DO	DO NOT
Eggs, Sausages, Fruits & Vegetables	 Puncture egg yolks before cooking to prevent bursting. Pierce skins of potatoes, apples, squash, hot dogs & sausages to allow steam to escape. 	Cook eggs in shells. Reheat whole eggs.
Popcorn	Use specially bagged popcorn for use in the microwave. Remove popcorn when popping slows to 1 or 2 seconds in between pops. Use the POPCORN setting.	Pop popcorn in regular brown bags or glass bowls. Exceed maximum time on popcorn package.
Baby Food	Transfer baby food to small dish & heat carefully. Stir often. Check temperature before serving.	Heat disposable bottles. Heat rubber nipple. Heat baby food in original jar.
Stir liquids before and a Use deep bowls for coo	 Cut filled baked goods after heating to release steam. Stir liquids before and after heating to avoid boiling over. 	Heat or cook in closed jars or air-tight containers.
	Use deep bowls for cooking liquids or cereals to avoid boiling out of the container.	Use for Canning. Cooking and heating may not destroy bacteria.
		Dry wood, gourds, herbs or wet paper.

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OVEN - OPTIONAL

Microwave Cooking Safety:

- Always use pot holder to prevent burns when handling utensils that are in contact with hot food. Enough heat can transfer from food through utensils to cause skin burns.
- Stay near microwave when cooking and check frequently during cooking to prevent overcooking.
- Never use the cavity as a storage area for cookbooks or other items.
- Avoid steam burns by directing steam away from face and hands.

The microwave/convection oven operates from 120 Volt AC sup- MICROWAVE/CONVECTION plied by either shore power, the generator or the optional inverter. The microwave/convection oven has the ability to cook food with heat like an electric oven, or preheat the oven with heat and cook with microwaves. Other features include the ability to cook with microwaves and convection at the same time, sensor cooking and a built-in broiler.



WARNING: If a fire flares up when using the cooktop turn off the ventilation fan. The fan may spread the flame. If the ventilation fan has started automatically from a heated cooktop it can not be manually turned off. Turn off the microwave AC circuit breaker to prevent the flame from getting up into the microwave and spreading the fire.



NOTE: When cooking in convection mode try to avoid using the inverter as the AC power source due to the high rate of battery consumption.



NOTE: The microwave is for food preparation only. Do not use the microwave to dry clothes, newspapers, shoes or other items.

Use the manufacturer's operation manual, located in the owner's information file box to operate microwave oven. Read it carefully and keep it for reference. Another useful item is the microwave cookbook. Many will contain information about cooking principles, techniques, hints and recipes. Ensure food is in the microwave during operations to absorb the microwave energy. The magnetron, cycling on and off, may be heard for power levels less than 100%.



NOTE: When using the convection oven feature leave the turntable in place and do not restrict the rotation. This can damage the microwave.

Operation

LAPALMA 4 • 1 0 1 Condensation is a normal part of microwave cooking. Room humidity and hot moisture in food will influence the amount of moisture that condenses in the oven. Generally, covered foods will not cause as much condensation as uncovered ones. Vents on the oven back must not be cooked.

After using convection, grill, roast, CompuBake, Compupizza, CompuGrill or CompuRoast, you will hear the sound of the cooling fan. The fan may operate depending on the oven temperature.

Be aware that, unlike microwave-only ovens, convection microwave ovens have a tendency to become hot. The oven is hot whenever the top grill, both grill or convection symbols are lighted in the display.

Cooking

- Arrange food carefully. Place thickest areas towards outside of dish.
- Watch cooking time. Cook for the shortest amount of time indicated and add more as needed. Food severely overcooked can smoke or ignite.
- Cover food while cooking. Check recipe or cookbook for suggestions: paper towels, wax paper, microwave plastic wrap or a lid. Covers prevent spattering and help foods to cook evenly.
- Shield with small flat pieces of aluminum foil any thin areas of meat or poultry to prevent overcooking before dense, thick areas are cooked thoroughly.
- Stir foods from outside to center of dish once or twice during cooking, if possible.
- Turn foods over once during microwaving to speed cooking of such foods as chicken and hamburgers. Large items like roast must be turned over at least once.
- Rearrange foods such as meatballs halfway through cooking both from top to bottom and from the center of the dish to the outside.
- Add standing time. Remove food from oven and stir, if possible. Cover for standing time which allows the food to finish cooking without overcooking.
- Check for doneness. Look for signs indicating that cooking temperatures have been reached.
 - Food steams throughout, not just at edge.
 - -Center bottom of dish is very hot to the touch.
 - -Poultry thigh joints move easily.
 - -Meat and poultry show no pinkness.
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		Deep fat fry.
		Dry wood, gourds, herbs or wet paper.

• Check the type of cookware being used to see if it is microwave or oven safe depending on the type of cooking being done.

Tips

- Gold paint or glaze may contain a trace amount of gold which is electrical conductive and not compatible for microwave. Hand painted china commonly contains traces of metal.
- To test utensil for microwave compatibility place it in the microwave with an 8 oz. plastic cup of water. Set the microwave at full power for one minute. Carefully feel the utensil. The entire utensil should be cool to the touch.
- Clean all spills or splatters before they dry.
- Food odors may linger inside oven. To help eliminate odors combine the juice and the peel from one lemon, several whole cloves and 8 oz. of water into a two cup bowl. Place in oven on high power, bring to a boil for several minutes. Let cool in the oven for several minutes.
- Some food wrappers may be foil lined. Check the wrapping carefully before cooking or heating. A small amount of foil is acceptable if it is not wrinkled or near the sides of the microwave.
- If the microwave screen is not lit, plug another electrical appliance into the same outlet the microwave was plugged in to verify AV power is present. If the test item works, contact an appliance repair facility to have the microwave checked.

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Care & Cleaning

The exterior of the microwave is plastic and metal. The interior is metal. Do not use scouring pads, harsh or abrasive cleanser, chemical cleaners or petroleum based thinners as these can damage the finish. Use mild soap and water with a damp cloth or paper towel to remove most stains or spills. When cleaning the touch pad open the door to prevent accidental operation. Use mild soap and water with a soft cloth. Avoid using excess amounts of water on the touch pad. The turntable plate and oven racks are dishwasher safe.

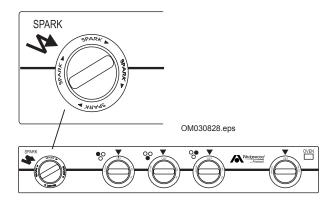
COOKTOP RANGE

Before cooking on the range top the cover must be in full upright and folded position. Push the cover toward the outside wall to prevent it from falling onto the range top during cooking.

- Never close the cover while the burners are in use.
- Do not use the cover as griddle.
- The oven may be used with the cover down.
- The bi-fold cover must always be closed when the motorhome is in transit.



WARNING: Do not heat motorhome interior with range or oven. Gas combustion consumes oxygen inside the motorhome.



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• Turn the appropriate burner knob counterclockwise to **ON** or **LITE**. Do not attempt to light more than one burner at a time.

Lighting Top Burners

- Turn the **SPARK** knob clockwise one click. If the burner fails to light, continue turning the **SPARK** knob clockwise until the burner lights.
- To extinguish the top burner flame turn the appropriate burner knob clockwise to OFF



WARNING: Top cover must be open when the cooking surface is in operation.

• Push in the oven control knob and rotate counterclockwise to **PILOT ON**.

Lighting Oven Pilot

- Light the oven pilot located near the back of the oven, under the broiler shelf and to the left of the oven burner.
- Set the oven control knob to Pilot ON to maintain pilot flame. The oven and broiler are now ready for operation. The oven pilot has been factory set and requires no further adjustment.
- To extinguish the oven pilot push in the oven control knob and rotate clockwise to OFF.



WARNING: Extinguish all pilots when refueling or traveling.

• Clean all surfaces as soon as possible after boil overs or spillovers.

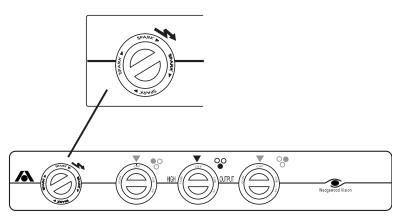
Maintenance

- Use only warm soapy water to clean the burner grates, cooktops, painted surfaces, porcelain surfaces, stainless steel surfaces and plastic items on your range or cooktop. Do not use grit or acid-type cleaners.
- Do not use steel wool or abrasive cleaners. They will damage your range or cooktop. Use only non-abrasive plastic scrubbing pads.

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- Do not allow foods containing acids (such as lemon or tomato juice, or vinegar) to remain on porcelain or painted surfaces. Acids may remove the glossy finish. Wipe up egg spills when cooktop is cool.
- Do not wash warm porcelain surfaces. Allow these areas to cool before cleaning. You could burn yourself or the porcelain could crack.

COOKTOP (OPTIONAL)



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The stove uses LP-Gas only as a fuel source. The burners use a piezo type igniter. The cooktop should be used for cooking purposes only and not as a heating source. When the burner valve is opened the fuel source flows through the valve into the mixture tube. The fuel passes by a hole or venturi in the mixture tube, which draws air in with the fuel for a proper fuel/air ratio. The flame should have a blue appearance with a lighter blue defined flame at the burner head. A yellow flame or yellow tips indicates a rich fuel mixture, which can leave a black color or carbon on the bottom of a pot or pan.

Operation

The cooktop will operate when the following conditions have been met:

- 1. The LP-Gas valve on the LP tank is open.
- 2. The house battery cut-off switch at the entry door is ON.
- 3. To use the cooktop open the desired burner valve and rotate the igniter knob, clockwise, at the left hand side of the stove.

Burner Grate

The burner grate is attached to the cooktop cover by two spring clips located on the underside of the cooktop cover. The burner grate can be separated from the cooktop cover for cleaning purposes. Place a towel down onto the countertop next to the cooktop. Lift the cooktop cover up by the front corners, just high enough to clear the top of the burners. Pull the cooktop cover toward the front of the cooktop and lift it away. Place the cooktop cover upside down onto the towel. Squeeze both of the grate spring clips to remove the grate from cooktop cover.



WARNING: If you smell gas, extinguish all open flames and turn off the main gas supply. Liquid propane is highly volatile, highly explosive and extremely dangerous. Explosion, fire, property damage, injury or death can result.

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Propane is a "heavy" gas and will lay on the floor and "hide" in corners. Open all windows and doors. **DO NOT touch any electrical switches. They may cause a spark which can ignite.** Contact a qualified service center to have the problem correctly diagnosed and repaired before resuming operation.

1. A yellow flame is an indication of incorrect fuel/air ratio. Lowered BTU output and carbon build up can occur.

Tips

- 2. When cooking at an altitude above 5,000 feet, the flame may change appearance and the flame BTU output will be lowered. Allow extra cooking time.
- 3. Do not allow the tips of the flame to extend beyond pan or pot edge. When this occurs heat is wasted and possibility of injury increases.
- 4. To help keep the underside of the cooktop clean, remove the cooktop cover. Carefully place strips of aluminum foil on the cooktop floor pan and under burners. Do not restrict air flow of mixture tubes.

Regular cleaning with a soft cloth and a warm detergent solution is generally enough to keep the cooktop clean. Wash, rinse and dry with a soft cloth. Thoroughly clean the cooktop when it is cool. To clean splatters or spills, use a dry cloth or paper towel while the surface is warm to the touch. Cleaning will be more difficult if spills bake on to the surface. Glass cleaner sprayed on a paper towel should be used for the cooktop surface. Do not spray glass cleaner directly on the surface. DO NOT use abrasive cleaners or steel wool. Harsh cleaners like bleach, ammonia and oven cleaner should NEVER be used. The surface burner grate and caps should be cleaned using the same guidelines as the cooktop surface.

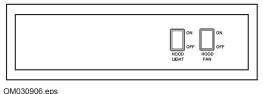
Care & Cleaning

Porcelain Enamel:

Porcelain enamel is a type of glass fused on steel at a very high temperature. It is not extremely delicate but must be treated as glass. Sharp blows, radical surface temperature changes, etc., will cause enamel to chip or crack. Some foods such as vinegar, lemon juice, tomatoes and milk contain acids which can dull the finish of the enamel. To avoid dulling the finish wipe up the spill before it is baked on. Remember, the surface is glass and must be given consideration when cleaning. Steel wool and coarse, gritty cleanser will scratch or mar the surface. Any gentle kitchen cleanser powder or grease cleaner will be suitable. For further information on care and maintenance of the porcelain call "Hopes Cultured Marble Polish" at 800-325-4026.

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COOKTOP HOOD



Cooktop hood provides venting of cooking heat and smoke from the motorhome. Push fan switch to turn fan on or off. Push light switch to turn light on or off.

To replace light bulb, remove plastic cover. Pull bulb out of socket to remove it. Push new bulb in socket and reinstall plastic cover. Use a 12 Volt #912 lamp bulb when replacement is needed.



CAUTION: Do not attempt to change the lamp bulb while it is hot. Bulb can burn you.

Cleaning Cooktop Hood

The filter can be removed by pressing retaining clip and pulling filter out of retaining groove. Wash filter with soap and water. Air dry filter, position it in retaining groove and lock in position by clip.

AIR CONDITIONER - ROOF

The roof air conditioners operate from 120 Volts AC only, either from shore power or from the on-board generator. Operations are controlled by the 12 Volt DC comfort control. The electronics in the comfort control use a telephone type patch cord to send a low voltage signal to the roof air conditioner's circuit board. The circuit board controls the desired roof air functions and/or LP-Gas furnace operations. The refrigerant operation principal of the roof air conditioner is the same as the dash air conditioner or a household type refrigerator. The function is that of an enclosed system. The compressor draws refrigerant into it, a high-pressure vapor is then sent to a condenser where the heat is expelled into the atmosphere. The vapor leaves the condenser as a high pressure liquid. This liquid is forced into a metered capillary tube and then into the evaporator or low side pressure. The refrigerant then changes from liquid form to vapor as heat extracts. The vapor then draws back into the compressor to start the cycle again. When operating the roof air conditioners in heat pump mode, the principles of air conditioning reverse. The refrigerant flow reverses, blowing heated air into the interior of the motorhome.



NOTE: The air conditioning system will freeze the moisture in the air depending on the humidity content. Under high humidity conditions it is recommended to set the blower fan speed to High.

Aux. Heat Mode (Optional):

When selecting the **HEAT PUMP** mode, or if operating in **HEAT PUMP** mode and ambient temperatures are approximately 30° F, the air conditioner will stop the Heat Pump operation and begin Aux. Heat operations. Automatic

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selection of an auxiliary heat (the furnace) becomes the primary heat source and furnace operations begin. The **AUX. HEAT** mode is due to refrigerant characteristics in cold temperatures. The furnace remains the primary heat source until ambient temperatures rise above 42° F. When ambient temperatures are between 30-42° F., the Defrost cycle initiates approximately every 40 minutes of compressor operation. The blower motor will stop for five minutes and the comfort control displays **DEFROST**. After the defrost cycle Heat Pump operation will resume.



NOTE: There are ambient temperature limitations of the Heat Pump mode. The roof air conditioner will not operate in Heat Pump mode with ambient temperatures at or below 30° F.

Clean the return air filters frequently and for the environment for which they operate. The return air filters are inside the air intake vent covers located on the motorhome ceiling. Never operate the air conditioner without the return air filters in place. This may plug the evaporator core with dirt and substantially affect the performance of the air conditioner.

Return Air Filters

To Clean:

- Remove the vent cover and filter.
- Wash the filter and cover in warm soapy water. Do not use solvents.
- Rinse the filter and cover thoroughly with fresh water and allow drying.
- Reinstall the filter and cover

The roof air conditioners operate from the comfort control only under the following conditions:

Operation

- 120 Volts AC is supplied from either shore power or the generator.
- The battery cut-off switch is in the ON position and house batteries are charged.
- The **ON/OFF** switch is ON at the comfort control

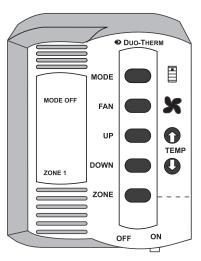
Zone Selection:

The desired zone selection is the first step in utilizing the comfort control. Press the **ZONE** button to select Zone 1 or 2 for programming purposes. The zone currently in programming will flash while the other zone display is constant.

Fan Operation:

This mode circulates the interior air by using the roof air conditioners blower. The fan speed will control the roof air conditioners blower speed in the following modes: Fan, Cool or Heat Pump.

- Press the mode button repeatedly until FAN is displayed.
- Press the FAN button to select the desired fan speed.



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Air Conditioner Operation:

The living room comfort control operates the roof air conditioners functions.

- Select the desired zone by pressing the **ZONE** button.
- Press the **MODE** button repeatedly until **COOL** is displayed.
- Set desired fan speed by pressing the **FAN** button.
- Set desired cooling temperature by pressing the **UP** or **DOWN** buttons.



NOTE: The compressor will engage approximately two minutes after blower motor activation. This prevents accidental compressor activation against high pressure.

Heat Pump Operation (Optional):

The living room comfort control operates the roof air conditioners.

- Select the desired Zone by pressing the **ZONE** button.
- Press the **MODE** button repeatedly until **HEAT PUMP** is displayed.
- Set desired fan speed by pressing the FAN button.
- Set desired heating temperature by pressing the **UP** or **DOWN** buttons.

FURNACE

The furnace and its related components are 12 Volt DC operated, using LP-Gas as the fuel source. Electronic circuitry (automatic ignition) is used to ignite the burner. The furnace uses outside air for the burner combustion and exhaust is expelled through the outside vent. Inside air is drawn into the furnace and blown across the internal heat exchanger. Heated air is then discharged through ducted hoses which can be run throughout the motorhome.



WARNING: IF YOU SMELL GAS extinguish all open flames and turn off the main gas supply. Liquid propane is a highly volatile, extremely dangerous gas. It can explode or ignite, which may result in property damage, injury or death. Propane is "heavy" and can "float" on the floor or "hide" in corners. Open all windows and doors. Do not touch electrical switches. They may spark, which can ignite. Keep all open flames, spark producing devices and smoking material out of the area. Contact a qualified service center to have the problem correctly diagnosed and repaired before resuming operation.



CAUTION: Do not store any items or materials in the furnace area. Restricted air flow may hamper furnace operation leading to failure and/or fire hazard.

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Operation

The furnace operates in the following manner: The wall thermostat sends a signal to the front roof air conditioner circuit board, which closes a relay. Closing a relay sends an electrical signal to the furnace to begin the ignition cycle. There is a small time delay before the blower motor begins. Once the blower motor attains a predetermined speed it will close the sail switch. The sail switch, which is now closed, sends the electrical signal through a high temperature protection switch, then to the automatic ignition circuit board. After the thermostat is satisfied, the gas valve closes and extinguishes the burner. The blower motor stops approximately two or three minutes after cool down.

The furnace will operate when the following conditions have been met:

- 1. The LP-Gas valve on the LP tank is open and the LP-Gas valve at the furnace is on.
- 2. The house batteries in the motorhome are fully charged.



NOTE: The automatic ignition circuit board will attempt to light the burner three times before the ignition board will go into "lock-out." If the burner does not light, the furnace blower motor will continue to run and the wall thermostat will have to be cycled off.

• Slide the **ON/OFF** switch to the **ON** position.

Using the Furnace

- Select the **FURNACE** mode on the Comfort Control using the **MODE** button.
- Select the AUTO speed with the FAN button.
- Select the desired temperature with the arrow up and down buttons.
- After storage the furnace may produce a musty smell during the first couple of cycles.

Tips

- Operating the furnace at an altitude above 5,000 feet reduces the BTU output due to air/fuel ratio.
- The furnace will periodically need to be serviced by a qualified technician. If the furnace exhibits unusual symptoms or noises, or has an unusual odor when operating, have the furnace checked or serviced.
- It is advisable to use the furnace to heat the inside of the motorhome during transit. Outside temperature can vary to extreme cold. The dash heater may not provide adequate heat to the interior.



NOTE: When washing the exterior of the motorhome, avoid a direct stream of water into the outside furnace vents. This can cause damage to the furnace.

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If the Furnace Fails to Light

If the furnace fails to light make sure the LP-Gas supply valves are open and the LP-Gas switch is turned on. The furnace will not light if the blower motor is not spinning to its specified speed. This may be due to a low house battery charge condition.

To Charge the House Batteries:

- 1) Hook-up to shore power.
- 2) Start the generator.
- 3) Start the main engine to charge the batteries.



WARNING: If you smell gas and the blower motor is spinning do not attempt additional furnace operation as this may result in an explosion, fire or personal injury. Contact a qualified technician.

WATER HEATER

The motorhome is equipped with a six gallon water heater as a standard feature. A larger 10 gallon unit can be optionally installed instead of the six gallon. The water heater in the motorhome will heat water using two different methods. The first method is 120 Volts AC, supplied either by shore power or the on board generator. The second method is LP-Gas. The 120 Volt AC uses a heating element like those found in a house style water heater. The 120 Volt AC method is efficient if shore power is available. The LP-Gas incorporates the use of an automatic ignition circuit board operated by 12 Volt DC. The water temperature is controlled by two thermostats. One is for the 120 Volt and the other is for the LP-Gas. The temperature is preset by the water heater manufacturer. Water is pumped into the bottom of the water heater tank where it is heated and discharged out of the top of the tank upon usage. For easy winterization the water heater is equipped with a bypass valve. Safety features include a temperature pressure relief valve. The water heater has an aluminum clad tank. An anode is not necessary.



NOTE: The automatic ignition circuit board will make three attempts to light the burner. If the burner does not light by the third attempt the ignition circuit board will go into "lock-out." Cycling the on/off switch will reset the ignition board.



NOTE: Do not operate the water heater by either function without water in the water heater tank. This can damage the thermostats and the electric heating element.

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Before Using the Water Heater

Before using the water heater purge all trapped air from the water system. To purge the air and pressurize the system, fill the fresh water tank by using the on board water pump or hooking up to city water. Check the tank for any obvious water leaks. Once the system is pressurized turn the hot and cold valves on for each water faucet, one at a time, inside and outside of the motorhome. Run each faucet until a steady stream of water with no air bubbles or air pockets is present. The water heater does not need to be operating while this is being done. Locate the water heater bypass valve on the back of the water heater and select the "Normal Flow" position. While at the back of the water heater ensure the small ON/OFF switch position is ON.



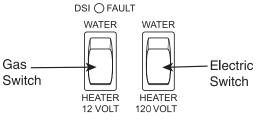
WARNING: IF YOU SMELL GAS extinguish all open flames and turn off the main gas supply. Liquid propane is highly volatile, highly explosive and extremely dangerous. Explosion, fire, property damage, injury or death can result. Propane is a "heavy" gas and will lay on the floor and "hide" in corners. Open all windows and doors. Do not touch any electrical switches. They may cause a spark which can ignite. Evacuate the motorhome and shut off the LP valve. Contact a qualified service center to have the problem correctly diagnosed and repaired before resuming operation.

The water heater will operate when the following conditions have been met:

- **Operation**
- 120 Volt AC has been supplied either from shore power or the generator.
- The LP tank valve is open.
- The battery cut-off switch at the entry door is ON.
- The house batteries are charged.

LP-Gas Operations:

- Make sure the LP-Gas is turned on.
- Turn the water heater switch, located on the hall panel, to the the ON position. The water heater will make an audible "roar" from the burner when ignited. The indicator light will illuminate briefly then go out when the water heater is lit. The indicator light will glow steady when the ignition cycle has gone into "lock-out."



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NOTE: It is not recommended to operate the water heater on LP-Gas while the motorhome is in transit.

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120 Volt AC Operations:

- Have either shore power or the generator supply AC voltage.
- Turn ON the water heater switch located on the hall panel.
- The heating process occurs at a quicker rate with both LP-Gas and 120 Volt AC operations activated.
- Turn ON the water heater switch located on the back of water heater next to the bypass valve.

Pressure-Temperature Relief Valve

The water heater is equipped with a **Pressure-Temperature Relief Valve**.

The water heater may discharge at the Pressure-Temperature Relief Valve during the heating cycle due to thermal expansion of water. The Pressure-Temperature Relief Valve is designed to open if the water temperature within the heater reaches 210° F (98.8° C), or if the water heater pressure reaches 150 psi. This can be related to the fact the motorhome utilizes a closed system. When there is a discharge, this is a normal occurrence and should not be taken as a faulty valve. The water heater by design has an internal air pocket to reduce the possibilities of dripping or weeping. The expanding of water in time will absorb the air and pocket. The air will have to be replaced utilizing a simple procedure when this occurs.

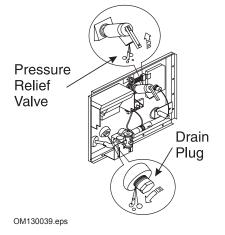


CAUTION: Ensure the water heater storage tank is cool prior to making any check of the valve.



- **Step 1:** Turn **OFF** the water heater.
- **Step 2:** Shut **OFF** the incoming water supply.
- **Step 3:** Open the closest hot water line of the motorhome.
- **Step 4:** Pull the handle of the relief valve until the flow of water stops.
- **Step 5:** Allow the relief valve to snap shut, close the hot faucet and turn ON the water supply.
- **Step 6:** Turn **ON** the water heater.

The air pocket will have been re-established and will not need to be repeated until the next discharge of water. If the discharge does not stop contact a qualified service center to evaluate the valve and make any required repairs.



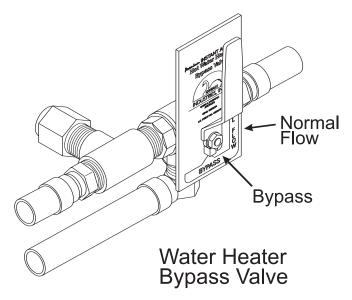
Burner Compartment

Periodically check the service compartment and screen in door on the outside of the motorhome to ensure no foreign material has accumulated which will prevent flow of combustion and ventilating air.

4 • 1 1 4 LAPALMA The water heater bypass is a valve located on the back of the water heater. By turning the handle on valve to **BYPASS** position you can divert water away from the water heater. The water heater should be in the **BYPASS** position when winterizing. Bypassing the water heater will keep antifreeze out of the water heater, if antifreeze is used for winterization.

For water heater operation turn valve so that handle points to **NORMAL FLOW**.

Water Heater Bypass System



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If your motorhome is to be stored for a long period of time or during winter months the water heater must be drained to prevent damage from freezing. Refer to "Winterizing" for instructions. Be sure to refill water heater with water before resuming operation.

Draining & Storage

• Turn off water heater when not in use to conserve LP-Gas.

Tips

- The water heater tank capacity is six or ten gallons. When running the shower, conserve the heated water by shutting the shower water off when not in immediate use.
- Use caution when adapted to 30 amp shore service. When the water heater element is in operation it will use approximately 12 amps. Appliances may need to be operated in sequence to avoid tripping a breaker.
- The temperature and pressure (T & P) safety relief valve on the outside of the water heater is set to open at 210° F or 150 psi. When water temperature and pressure reach these settings the valve may

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drip until the pressure has dropped. Avoid opening the T & P valve manually as it may continue to leak. The valves can be purchased from most hardware stores.



WARNING: Before beginning any service or work on the water heater make sure the LP-Gas is turned off, the 120 Volt AC source has been disconnected and the 12 Volt DC source has been disconnected. Failure to do so can result in explosion, fire or injury.

Troubleshooting

- If water heater fails to light check the outside burner tube for obstructions. Spiders may make nests in the burner tube.
- If the indicator light on the hall panel does not light, and the water heater does not light, verify the battery cut-off switch at the entry door is on or check for a blown fuse in the house distribution panel.
- If the 120 Volt piloted switch does not light check the AC source, breaker, shore cord connection or transfer switch.

WASHER-DRYER Prepared (Optional)

If the motorhome was not ordered with an optional washer-dryer, it will have a washer-dryer preparation package installed from the factory. The washer-dryer "prep" package includes the following items:

- Color coded water supply lines: red line for hot, blue line for cold.
- An 1-1/2" waste water drain line with a threaded cap, a P-trap and an automatic vent cap. This will drain the waste water into the grey water holding tank.
- A designated 120 Volt AC receptacle for a washer-dryer is provided.



NOTE: Sidewall dryer vents are not part of the prep package. If a sidewall vent is to be installed be sure it is properly sealed to the sidewall.



If a washer-dryer is to be installed at a later date, follow all the manufacturer's installation instructions.

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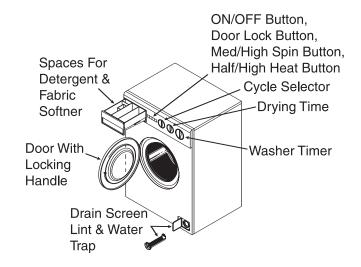
Listed here are further instructions which should be adhered to for safe and reliable operation:

- Do not connect the clothes dryer exhaust duct to any other duct, vent or chimney.
- Do not terminate the exhaust duct beneath the motorhome.
- Use proper length fasteners when attaching exhaust vent to exterior side wall. Stainless steel fasteners are best suited for this as they will not rust.
- If the cabinet or closet in which a washer-dryer is installed does not have vented/louvered doors, the manufacturer's installation instructions may require installation of vented door vents to be installed in the doors. This is for sufficient circulation of drying air.

This appliance is an automatic washer with a capacity of up to 10 lbs. (4.5Kg) of dry clothing. It is front loading with an extra large door opening for easier access. It has five wash cycles in addition to extra rinse and extra spin cycles.

WASHER/DRYER (Optional)

- The Washer-Dryer operates on 120 VAC.
- To operate the Washer-Dryer you will need to be plugged into shore power or have the generator running.
- The Washer-Dryer can be operated while driving down the road. The generator will need to be running and the water pump will need to be on.
 Make sure the grey tank will have enough room for the rinse cycle.
- The Washer-Dryer water use will be approximately 16 gallons of water per load.



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Before using the washer for the first time, wipe the inside and outside with a damp cloth to remove any travel dust that has accumulated. Operating a rinse cycle to rinse out the washer is recommended. Front load, horizontal axis washing machines require less detergent. Soap suds line should not exceed the halfway point of the glass door.

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To begin wash load:

- Sort and pre-treat clothes.
- Add the measured amount of detergent suggested by the package directions (maximum two tablespoons).
- Load the clothes loosely into the washer. Close the washer door.
- Turn the cycle selector knob to the desired temperature setting.
- Decide which washing cycle you wish to use. Turn the timer knob clockwise to the desired wash setting.
- Select High or Medium spin (only for regular washing).
- Press the push button **ON**.
- After the cycle is complete, wait two minutes for the door lock to release before attempting to open the door.



WARNING: Do not wash or dry articles that have previously been cleaned, washed, soaked or spotted with gasoline, dry cleaning solvents or other flammable or explosive substances. Do not add these substances to the wash water as they produce vapors that could ignite or explode. Do not use dryer to dry articles containing foam rubber or similar textured, rubberlike materials. Clean the lint screen after each use (if applicable), located in the top left corner on the back of the washer. Keep the area around the exhaust opening and adjacent areas free from lint, dust and dirt accumulation.

The removable drain screen, which protects the pump from lint and foreign matter, needs to be cleaned periodically. The frequency in which it is cleaned depends upon the type of clothes that are washed. Cotton articles produce more lint than nylon articles. Under no circumstance should the drain screen be removed while the machine is full of water. To clean the drain screen on an empty machine, open the service door by pressing on the left hand side. Place a cloth or shallow tray under the drain screen housing to catch any remaining water that may drip out. It may be helpful to first set the machine to spin, then remove the drain screen. This procedure reduces the amount of water released. Turn the drain screen counterclockwise and pull the drain screen out. Clean the screen to remove any dirt and lint. To replace the screen, slide it back into the housing and turn it clockwise to secure. Close the service door.



NOTE: Check for water leaks before using the washer after removing and replacing the drain screen.

To winterize your Washer-Dryer follow the instructions below to avoid damage to your unit due to freezing:

- 1. With the unit off, remove the wash filter to allow the water remaining (in the pump and drain hose) to be evacuated. Replace the filter.
- 2. Close the inlet shut-off valve.
- 3. Open the low point drains to drain all the water.

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- 4. In cold climates air should be used to blow out the system.
- 5. Install the water pressure regulator on a short water hose. Connect it to the water system. Use an air hose connector on the female end as this reduces pressure. Make sure one or more faucets are open.

If antifreeze is being used in the system follow these instructions:

- 1. When putting antifreeze into the water system of your motorhome set the washer to a warm/warm fill setting and allow water to flow into the unit until the antifreeze is detected.
- 2. Slowly advance the timer to a rinse cycle and allow the water to flow for 10 seconds. Advance the unit to a spin cycle to remove the majorty of the water from the unit.
- 3. With the unit off, remove the wash filter from the unit. This will allow the water remaining in the pump and drain hose to be evacuated. Replace the filter.
- 4. Any water remaining in the unit should contain antifreeze and be protected from freezing.



NOTE: When placing the unit back into service, allow the unit to operate for one complete cycle before doing laundry to ensure all antifreeze has been purged from the unit.

As you use the Washer-Dryer, occasionally wipe the exterior of the cabinet with a damp cloth or sponge. Wipe dry with a soft cloth. Do not use polish on plastic trim. Clean the interior with one cup of chlorine bleach mixed with two cups of granular detergent. Run the washer through a complete cycle using the hot water. Repeat the process if necessary. Remove hard water deposits using only cleaners labeled as washer safe. Wipe the inside of the Washer-Dryer door with a soft cloth to remove any moisture. Periodically apply a thin coat of paste wax to the inner door, especially to the area which is immediately next to the door window. This will protect the door finish from laundry spills and discoloration.



NOTE: Should the Washer-Dryer need removal for service, care should be taken as the Washer-Dryer weighs approximately 185 lbs. Proper accommodations should be made to avoid risk of injury.

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INTRODUCTION

This section covers the basic operation and care of various types of equipment found in the motorhome, most of which are provided for entertainment and comfort. More detailed information about specific equipment may be found in that particular manufacturer's manual. Optional equipment will also be discussed in this section which may not apply to all motorhomes.



Detailed information with CAUTION or WARNING instructions for the various electronics, other than what is provided in this section, can be found in the manufacturer's manual.

The entry step features amber lighting under the step, automatic retraction with the ignition key in the RUN position and a last out feature. Located to the left, just inside the entry door, is the step switch.

ENTRY STEP- Operation

Operating the Entry Step:

- 1. With the entrance door open, turn the step switch on.
- 2. Close the door. The step should retract and lock in the UP position. The step light will remain on.
- 3. Open the door. The step should extend and lock in the "down" position with the under step light on. The step will retract when the door is closed.
- 4. The step is equipped with a power switch. When the switch is turned off, the step should remain in the extended position with the door closed and the under step light off. Close the door and turn on the ignition switch. The step will retract for travel. To hold the entry step in the retracted position proceed with the following:
 - Turn the engine ignition switch off.
 - Wait 15 seconds and then turn the power step switch from off to on, then back off again. The step will stay retracted until the step switch is turned ON, or the ignition switch is turned on. The retracted position is useful for high curbs or on boat ferries.
- 5. With the power switch off, the step extended, the entrance door closed and the ignition turned on the ignition override system will go into effect and the step will automatically retract.
- 6. Turn the ignition off and open the door. The step will extend and lock in the "down" position. This is the "last out" feature. When the ignition is on the step will always activate with the door movement, regardless of the power switch position.

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Pivot Ball (below)

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Clevis Pin

Tips

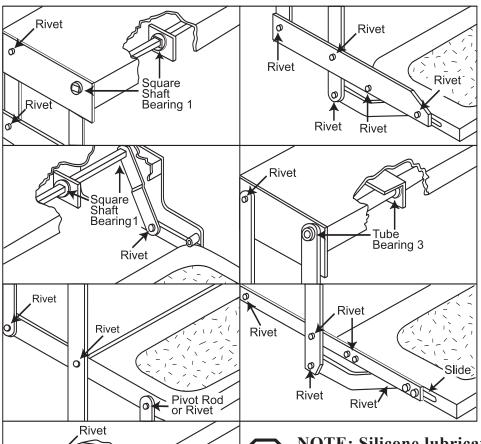
If the step fails to operate:

- Verify that the step switch is **ON**.
- Check the main power supply for the step. A 20 amp auto reset 12 Volt DC circuit breaker is located on the rear run plate.
- A magnetic door jam switch is used to control step operation. Use a separate magnet to apply a "trigger" to the door jam switch. Rotate test magnet to align polarity field.
- A five amp ATO blade fuse is used to illuminate the **STEP OUT** dash warning light. The fuse is located on the front run plate.



WARNING: If the motorhome is driven with the step in the extended position there is the possibility of causing major damage to both the step and the motorhome.

Maintenance & Lubrication



Clean all mud, salt and road grime from the step before lubricating. Lubricate all moving parts (bearings, pivot points, slides, clevis pin and the drive linkage ball) every 30 days with a good quality heat and moisture resistant penetrating grease. Kwik Lube Spray Grease is specially formulated to lubricate Kwikee Electric Steps and it is also recommended for lubricating all moving parts. (Refer to the illustration.)

NOTE: Silicone lubricates and WD-40 are not recommended as they have a tendency to evaporate and dry the mating surfaces which leaves them vulnerable to the elements.

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The driver door in the motorhome allows the driver to move in and out of the motorhome with ease. Door has a power window controlled by a electrical switch. Push the switch to either lower or raise the window.

The door was installed and adjusted to a factory setting. The position of the strike bolt may change over the course of time. The setting may need to be adjusted to insure that your door operates smoothly and efficiently.

To keep the driver door in good condition and operating in the manner in which it was designed to operate, some routine maintenance items should be attended to on a regular basis. These items are as follows:

Strike Bolt Adjustment:

- Slowly close the door, observing the latch and strike bolt alignment. Do not attempt to close the door if the latch alignment is off. If the latch alignment is correct, close the door allowing the latch to catch in the first (primary) position only.
- The latch should move to the second position with just a slight pressure applied to the door. Press on the door to see if there is any further movement of the door.
- The entry handle should operate with little effort to open the door. If using an excessive amount of pressure is required, this indicates the bolt is set too far back.
- Using a wrench, loosen the strike bolt. Make all adjustments in small increments. Tighten the bolt firmly after making adjustments.
- Ensure the three screws holding the latch assembly on the door are tight along with the two on the doorjamb.

Hinges:

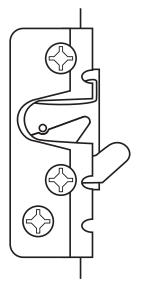
• The hinges for the door require slight lubrication annually, or as needed, with any high-quality, dry spray lubricant.

Outside Skin:

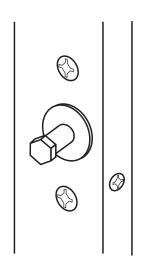
• To maintain appearance and long service life, the door skin should be washed and cleaned periodically. Cleaning removes the accumulation of dust and dirt which can combine with sunlight and wind to attack exposed surfaces, both chemically and abrasively.

DRIVER DOOR (Optional)





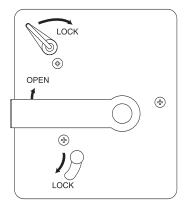
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ENTRY DOOR



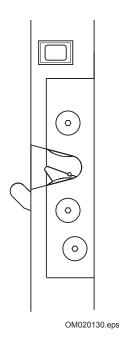
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The entry door by design is virtually maintenance free. Installed, adjusted and tested at the factory for all operations, the door uses two separate locks for personal safety and security. The door handle incorporates a primary and secondary latching system. One locking system is the door handle and the other is a dead bolt. However, keeping the entry door in good operating condition requires some routine maintenance items on a regular basis. Adjustment can help maintain the entry door performance. These items are as follows:

Strike Plate/Bolt Adjustment: The position of the striker plate or bolt may change over the course of time and with frequent operation. The setting may require adjustment to insure that the door operates smoothly and efficiently.

Adjusting the Entry Door Latch:

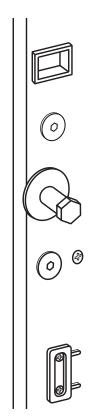
- Slowly close the entry door, observing the latch and strike bolt alignment. Do not attempt to close the door if the latch alignment is off. If the latch alignment is correct, close the door allowing the latch to catch in the first (primary) position only.
- The latch should move to the second position with just a slight pressure applied to the door. Press on the door to see if there is any further movement of the door.
- The entry handle should operate with little effort to open the door. If using an excessive amount of pressure is required, this indicates the bolt is set too far back.



- Using a wrench, loosen the strike bolt. Make all adjustments in small increments. Tighten the bolt firmly after making adjustments.
- Ensure the three screws holding the latch assembly on the door are tight along with the two on the doorjamb.



CAUTION: When operating the entry door ensure the dead bolt latch is fully in the unlock position prior to closing the entry door. Failure to do so can result in damage to the dead bolt and/or entry door.



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Locks:

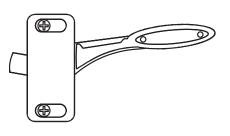
• The locking cylinder requires slight lubrication on an annual basis, or as needed. Use powdered graphite, not a petroleum product. Petroleum products gum the cylinder and inhibit smooth operation. The upper lock is the dead bolt, while the lower lock is the privacy lock. Applying a light coating of white lithium grease to the face of the lock bolt helps in obtaining a smooth close.

Hinges:

• The hinges for the door require slight lubrication annually, or as needed, with any high-quality, dry spray lubricant.

Screen Door - Adjusting:

• The screen door can be adjusted to set flush in the door jam. This requires two separate adjustments be performed. The first adjustment made is at the screen door latch/catch itself. Loosen the two Phillip screws holding the latch to the door. This will permit vertical adjustment. Move the latch far enough to allow it to catch on the striker mounted on the door frame, tighten both screws. The striker mount on the door frame permits horizontal adjustment. Again, loosen the two Phillips screws holding the striker assembly. Move the striker to center the latch and tighten the Phillips screws in place.



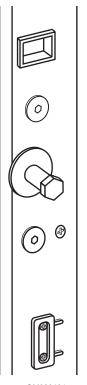
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Screen Door - Changing the Slider:

• The sliding cover is a simple procedure to replace. Place the slider in the center. Pulling from the center of the slider will bow enough to allow easy removal. To re-install, reverse this procedure paying attention to install the upper left corner first and the location of the stop tabs.

Outside Skin:

• To maintain appearance and long service life, the door skin should be washed and cleaned periodically. Cleaning removes the accumulation of dust and dirt which can combine with sunlight and wind to attack exposed surfaces, both chemically and abrasively.



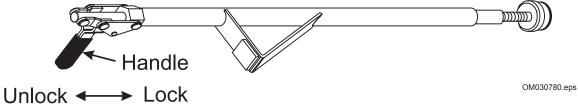
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SLIDE-OUT OPERATION -Extending Room

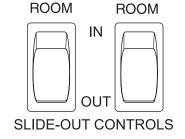
To Extend the Slide-Out Room:

- Move the driver seat forward before activating the slide-out room.
- Confirm that there is at least five feet of clearance outside the motorhome for the slide-out room to extend.
- Ensure the ignition key is in the OFF position.
- The park brake must be applied.
- The storage bay doors under the slide-out must be closed.
- Locate the two locking bar mechanisms on the top of the slide-out room inside the motorhome.
- Move the handles to the unlock position.



The Lock'R bar is used to secure the slide-out room.

- Release the bar mechanisms and remove the bars from between the wall and the top of the slide-out room. Store the bars for reuse before the motorhome is in motion.
- Locate the slide-out room control switch located in the immediate area.
- Press and hold the slide-out room switch in the OUT position. The slide-out room will slowly move to the OUT position. To continue the room movement push and hold the switch in.
- Release the slide-out switch when the room is fully extended (a change in motor sound indicates extension). The slide-out drive motor will not stop automatically, the switch must be released.
- Level the motorhome with the leveling system.



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WARNING: Move the driver's seat forward before activating the slide-out room. Ensure there is five or more feet of clear space outside the slide box prior to extending the slide room. The outside area must be clear of any obstructions which may hinder the movement of the slide room. Ensure there is sufficient clearance inside the motorhome. Never move the motorhome with the slide-out extended.



CAUTION: Dirt and grit trapped under the slide could result in damage to the floor. Continuous operation of the slide-out could cause a drain on the house batteries and damage to the the slide motor from overheating.



CAUTION: Remove the LOCK'R bar before moving the slide-out room. Damage can result if it is left in position. Monaco Coach Corporation is not responsible for damage resulting from operating the slide-out room with the LOCK'R left in position.

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NOTE: It is not recommended to extend the slide room in snow, sleet, ice or freezing rain. There may be extensive damage resulting from the awning freezing up.

To Retract the Slide-Out Room:

- Retracting Room
- Check for sufficient clearance inside the motorhome before retracting the slide-out room.
- Clean the floor, if applicable, to ensure there is no dirt or grit that could result in floor damage during slide-out retraction.
- Press and hold the switch in the IN position. The slide-out room
 will move slowly in. To stop the slide-out room before the room
 reaches the IN position, release the switch. To continue the room
 movement, push and hold the switch in. The motor will change
 tone when the slide-out room is fully extended.
- Release the switch.
- After the slide-out room is all the way retracted, locate the two removable locking bar mechanisms. Place the bar mechanisms between the wall and the top edge of the slide-out room. The Lock'R has a built in spring to preset the tension. Move the handle to lock the position.

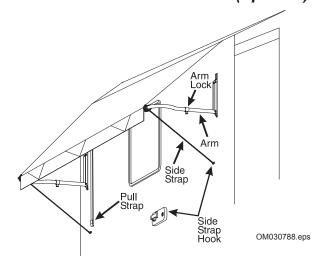


NOTE: Be sure you have sufficient clearance on the inside of the motorhome (driver seat, etc.) before you retract the slide-out room. If your motorhome has ceramic tile floor ensure the the floor is clean before you retract the slide-out room. Dirt or grit that is trapped under the slide-out room can scratch the floor surface. Never move the motorhome without having the slide-out room retracted.

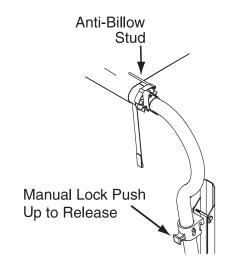
Slide-out awning will automatically roll out with the slide room when it is extended.

When the slide room is extended, on rooms with windows only, the awning can be rolled out completely as a window awning. The slide-out awning has two devices to help prevent the awning from "billowing" while traveling. The first device is a pair of anti-billow studs, which are located above each end of the awning roller tube. If the awning catches wind and begins to billow, the awning metal wrap will contact the anti-billow stud levering downward and engaging with a plastic gear preventing further unraveling of the awning material.

Slide-Out Extendible Awning (Optional)



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The second device uses two metal wind deflectors which are positioned just below the awning. This helps prevent side winds from scooping under the awning and unwinding the awning material.



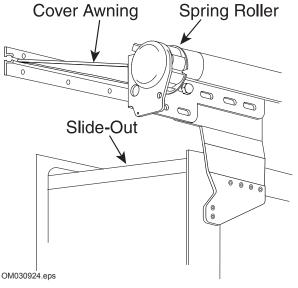
CAUTION: The slide room and slide-out awning should be retracted during heavy winds or rain. Rain can be driven up under the slide-out awning and into the motorhome. The slide-out awning should be retracted in high wind conditions as damage can occur to the awning or motorhome.



NOTE: At least five feet of clearance is needed between the side of the motorhome and any objects, such as trees or fences, to allow the slide room and slide-out awning to be fully extended.

Slide-Out Cover Awning

The slide-out cover awning is automatic so when the slide-out moves in or out the cover reacts to the slide-out direction. A fixed edge of the slide-out cover is installed into an awning rail mounted just above the slide-out. Spring loaded roller mounts with special brackets are attached to the slide-out itself.



To Extend:

- Extend slide-out room to its full extension.
- The slide-out cover will automatically unroll attaining full coverage when slide-out achieves maximum extension.



NOTE: Room must extend straight (equal at both ends) in order for the fabric to tighten up when fully extended.

To Retract:

- Retract slide-out room to the complete closed position.
- The slide-out cover will automatically roll up to the travel position when the slide-out is completely closed. As slideout room retracts, ensure that the cover is rolling up evenly.

Care and Maintenance

Mildew will not form on the awning material itself, but may form on the dust allowed to accumulate on the canopy. A quality vinyl cleaner such as Awning Magic will keep your awning looking new. Once cleaned make sure the awning is rinsed thoroughly and is dried before storing. **DO NOT USE BLEACH.**

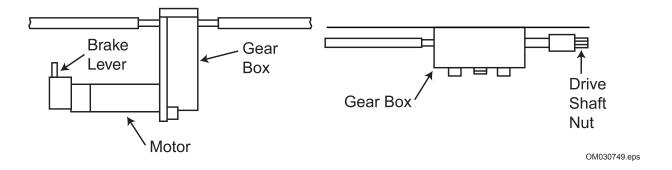
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Periodically check all fasteners to make sure they remain tight. If fasterners become loose, see that they are adequately retightened.

The slide-out room can be operated manually in the event of electrical problems. The slide-out room motor and gear assembly is located roadside, in the large pass-through storage compartment. The lever on the motor must be moved to the freewheel position.

Manual Override - Main Slide-Out

The drive shaft can be moved using a 7/8 inch wrench. Once the slide-out room has been placed in the desired position, place the motor lever in the service position.





NOTE: The slide-out room is heavy and may require several persons to push it into the retracted position.

Troubleshooting:

The following can be used as a guide to assist you in the event of a slide room malfunction.

The slide room will not move:

- The house batteries should be fully charged prior to operating the slide-out.
- The ignition switch should be in the OFF position.
- The fuse for the slide-out room is located in the bedroom panel. This is a 15 amp fuse.
- The fuse for ignition lock-out is located in the front run panel. This is a 7.5 amp fuse.
- The slide-out room motor input voltage requirements are 12 VAC.

The slide room movement is rough:

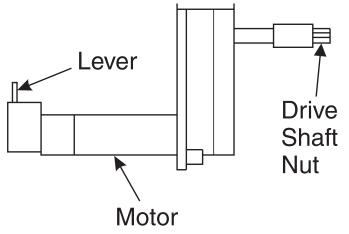
- The rollers will need adjustment.
- The gear is worn or damaged.
- The slide room is binding in the opening.
- The wipe seal is rubbing the slide room too hard.
- The voltage is low.



WARNING: Do not work on the slide-out system unless the battery is disconnected. Make sure the floor is clean before retracting the slide-out room. Dirt or grit that gets trapped under the slide-out can cause damage to the floor.

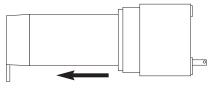
After the previous items have been checked, and the room still does not move when the slide-out switch pressed, follow these simple steps to manually override the slide-out room.

Manual Override - Bedroom Slide-Out



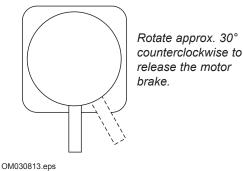
Bedroom slide motor.

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Brake lever.

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Manual Override for Bedroom Slide-out:

- 1. Disconnect the battery cables from the battery.
- 2. Lift up the mattress and base board to gain access to the slide-out mechanism.
- 3. If the bedroom slide-out motor has a lever on the back side rotate the lever counter clockwise about 1/8th of a turn (looking from the rear of the motor) to release the brake that locks the room in place. If the motor does not have a lever, use a ½" wrench to remove the four motor mounting bolts. Remove the motor.
- 4. Use an appropriate wrench (a ¾" wrench/ratchet or an adjustable wrench) on the override to move the room in or out. The override is located on the opposite side of the slide-out rail from the motor.
- 5. Once the room is in apply pressure to the wrench so that the room is sealed. Return the brake lever to its normal downward position to lock the room in place. Install the transit bar (if so equipped). If the motor does not have a brake lever, apply pres sure to the wrench so that the room is sealed and install the transit bar (if so equipped). If there is no motor lever and no transit bar, the motor must be mounted back onto the slide-out system to hold the room for transport. Because of this the room may not be sealed from the environment.
- 6. Take the motorhome to an authorized dealer for serv ice.

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Maintenance

The slide-out system has been designed to require very little maintenance. To ensure the long life of the slide-out system read and follow these simple procedures:

- The roof of the slide-out should be checked for debris such as pine needles, dirt, leaves, sticks, etc. If the slide-out has been out for a period of time, any debris left on the top may cause damage to the seals when being retracted. If debris is present wash with soap and water, then rinse.
- When the room is out visually inspect the inner slide rail assemblies. Check for excess build-up of dirt or other foreign material. Remove any debris that may be present.
- If the system squeaks or makes noise, apply a coat of light weight oil to the drive shaft and roller areas. Remove any excess oil so dirt and debris do not build-up. Do not use grease.



CAUTION: Do not work on the slide-out system unless the battery is disconnected.



NOTE: Do not leave the slide-out in the extended position during severe weather. Conditions such as high winds or heavy rain may cause damage to an extended slide-out.



NOTE: It is not recommended to extend the slide room in snow, sleet, ice or freezing rain. There may be extensive damage resulting from the awning freezing. In the event the slideout room is extended in snow, sleet, ice or freezing rain conditions, it is recommended you clear the awning and ensure free movement prior to retracting the slide room.

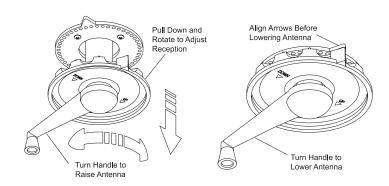
The motorhome is equipped with a remote control color television located above the pilot seat. The outlet for front TV is controlled by the ignition switch so that the front TV can only be viewed while the vehicle is at rest. The TV operates from 120 Volt AC power only, which can be provided by shore power or the generator. Viewing time of the front TV from the inverter depends on the state of charge of the house batteries and any additional 12 Volt DC lighting being used.

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER - HOME Front Television Lock-Out

The television antenna is a manual crank up style antenna with built in electronics which use 12 Volts DC to "boost" signal strength. Signals that are weak or fuzzy can be amplified by turning on the boost switch in the passenger front overhead cabinet. The antenna and booster work together to provide the best possible picture for most situations. Certain conditions occur when no amplification is needed and in fact may make the picture worse. The television

Television Antenna

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station will send a signal that resembles the waves or rings of water from a rock thrown into a still pond. The radiating television signal can hit an object such as a mountain and come back. The result one sees in the television picture is a double image. The antenna will receive a signal from the initial pass, then receive an additional signal from the rebound resulting in a split or double image. In this case the picture may be improved by no amplification or even lowering the antenna.



NOTE: Do not move the motorhome with antenna in the raised position, it can be damaged by tree limbs or wires.



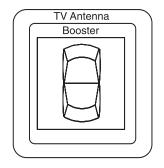
WARNING Before raising antenna make an outside, visual inspection for any obstructions or overhead electrical wires. Damage to the antenna, severe shock, personal injury or death can occur from inadequate clearance.

To Raise The Antenna:

- Rotate the crank handle clockwise to raise the antenna (it is approximately 14 ½ turns).
- Pull down on the outside directional wheel and rotate the antenna until the best picture is obtained. The directional wheel is spring loaded.



WARNING: Do not raise a TV antenna near overhead electrical wires as contact may cause serious injury or death. The motorhome must not be driven with the antenna in a raised or partially raised position. Worm gear or worm breakage may result.



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To Lower The Antenna:

- Pull down on the directional wheel and align arrows together.
- Rotate crank handle counterclockwise lowering antenna fully into the cradle. Make an outside visual inspection to ensure the antenna is properly stowed.

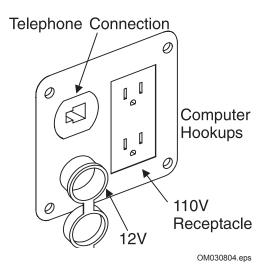
Boost Operation:

To boost the antenna signal to the TV or VCR, use the boost switch. Turn this switch to the ON position. Turn the boost switch off when not in use.

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Hook-Ups - TV Cable, Computer & Telephone

The motorhome is equipped with cable TV and telephone hook-ups, located in the electrical service center. For convenience, there are auxiliary outlets located at the co-pilot seat and on the optional computer desk. This connection is set up for a phone or laptop computer to be used.

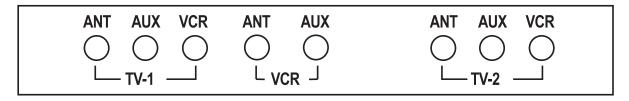


The VCR and bedroom television operate from only 120 volts AC, which can be provided by shore power, the generator or the inverter. Use the instructions given in the video selector box section to use these components.

VCR & Bedroom Television (Optional)

The motorhome may be equipped with a video selector box located in the overhead cabinet. The selector box receives video and audio signals from three different sources: the roof mounted antenna, shore cable (auxiliary) or the optional VCR. The video selector box directs the signals to either the front or rear TV and directs the signal from shore cable or the roof mounted antenna to the VCR. The selector box switches are divided into three groups: TV1 (front TV), TV2 (rear TV) and the VCR. Both the TV1 and TV2 button groups perform the same functions. For example: To watch the front TV (TV1) from the antenna, depress the ANT button in the TV1 group. This will direct the signal from the antenna to the front TV.

Video Selector Box



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To Watch the front TV:

- Using the antenna, depress the ANT button in the the TV1 group.
- Using the shore cable, depress the **AUXILIARY** button in the **TV1** group.
- Using the VCR, turn the TV to channel 3 and depress the VCR button in the TV1 group.

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To Watch the REAR TV (Optional):

- Using the antenna, depress the ANT button in the TV2 group.
- Using the shore cable, depress the **AUXILIARY** button in the **TV2** group.
- Using the VCR, turn the TV to channel 3 and depress the VCR button in the TV2 group.



NOTE: When watching TV by using the VCR (such as playing a tape) make sure the TV is tuned to channel 3.

Using the VCR (Optional):

- With the antenna, depress the **ANT** button in the **VCR** group.
- With the shore cable, depress the **AUXILIARY** button in the **VCR** group.

Tips:

- 1. If the picture is weak and the antenna boost is working, try moving the motorhome a few feet forward or backwards.
- 2. If it is weak or has no picture, check the video selector box to make sure the proper mode button has been selected.
- 3. If the signal is still weak, it may be a shorted or open coax. The coax cable is made up of two conductors: a center conductor which is usually copper, and the ground which is woven or braided aluminum. There is insulating material that separates the two conductors known as the die-electric. The ground and center conductor are to remain separate from one another. When installing a metal end onto the coax cable, use care so that none of the woven ground strands come in contact with the center conductor. A continuity tester is used to test for a suspected bad coax wire run. Unscrew both ends of the suspected bad coax run and use the continuity tester to check between the center conductor and outside threaded ring. If continuity is present the coax is shorted. To test for an open connection of a particular coax run, touch each end of the coax's ground or center conductor using the tester leads. Continuity should be present. For proper operation there should be continuity from one end to the other of both the ground and center conductor. No continuity should be between the ground and center conductor. Though damage does not usually occur from a shorted or open coax cable, picture quality is compromised.

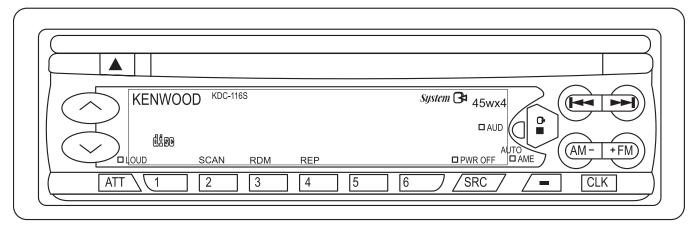
Satellite System Prewire - DSS (Optional)

The motorhome may have been prewired for a roof mount DSS system. The prewire will consist of a ³/₄" flexible conduit which will run from the front overhead to a spot marked on the roof. A telephone hook-up will also be provided for Pay Per View accessibility.

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RADIO - DASH

The dash radio is a tuner and a compact disc player which holds up to eighteen preset FM stations and six AM stations. Other features are an attenuate mode; loudness control, a clock and auto seek tuning. The compact disc player features are fast forward and reverse, random track play, repeat and pause. The radio power can be turned off from two different locations.



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NOTE: Turning the bedroom radio switch OFF will override the two dash switches.

Operation:

Prior to utilizing the dash radio, comply with all of the following required conditions.

- Turn ON the House Battery Disconnect switch.
- Turn ON the House Battery cut-off switch, located at entry door.
- Turn ON the radio power switch at the dash panel.

Function of Features:

- Volume Use the Volume Control arrows to increase or decrease volume.
- Clock Set/Adjust Press and hold the CLK button for three seconds. The clock display will flash. The AM/FM buttons are pressed for the hour indication. Pressing either the AM/FM button selects the desired hour. The LEFT and RIGHT arrow buttons select the desired minutes. Pressing the CLK button again starts the clock.

Tips:

- 1. If the radio does not function, check the house battery cut-off switch to make sure it is on. Check either of the radio power switches at the dash panel.
- 2. The LCD display may become difficult to read at temperatures at or below 41° F.

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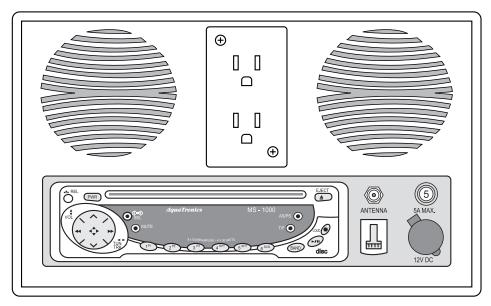


For detailed information and operating instructions on the stereo and CD player system, refer to the manufacturer's manual. Additional and detailed information for the dash radio functions and operations can be found in the Owner's Information File Box.

EXTERIOR ENTERTAINMENT CENTER (OPTIONAL)

The entertainment center has a AM/FM marine stereo radio with two speakers. The stereo has a conformal coated circuit board to withstand salt air and humidity along with UV stable detachable control panel and electronic tuner.

Included are 12V DC, 120V AC and Antenna receptacles. The locking cover should be closed and locked when the entertainment center is not in use.



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Function of Features:

- ON/OFF POWER BUTTON (PWR) Press this button to turn the unit on or off.
- **VOLUME/LEVEL CONTROL (VOL)** To increase the volume level, press the up arrow button. To decrease the volume level, press the down arrow button.

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- SELECT BUTTON (SEL) This button is used to select the audio function (volume, treble, bass, balance, or fade) to be adjusted using the Level Control. Pressing the Select button once will set the unit for volume adjustment ("VOL" will appear on the display panel). Pressing the button additional times will select treble ("TRE" on the display), bass ("BAS"), balance ("BAL"), fader ("FAD") or volume ("VOL").
- AUDIO SETTING MEMORIES (P1/P2/P3) Three pre-set buttons are provided on this unit to store desired audio level positions into memories which can be easily recalled.

To set any of the 3 audio memories, use the following procedure:

- 1. Use the Select button and Level control to adjust the setting of the volume, treble, bass, balance and fader to the desired positions.
- 2. Press the Select button to call any of the audio functions on the display. Within 2 seconds of pressing the Select button and while the audio function is still on the display panel, press the pre-set button (1 through 3) to be set and continue to hold it in. After approximately 2 seconds, the pre-set number ("P-1", "P-2", or "P-3) will appear on the display panel indicating that the audio levels are now set into that memory position. The settings can be recalled at any time by pressing the Select button and then that pre-set button within 2 seconds.
- AUDIO MUTE (MUTE) This button is used to mute the volume from the system. By pressing the button, the indication "MUTE" will appear on the display panel and the volume will be muted. Pressing the Mute button again will return the volume level to the setting in use before the Mute function was activated.
- AM/FM BAND SELECTOR (BAND) During radio operation, each momentary press of this button will change the radio band. The indication "AM1", "AM2", "FM2", or "FM3" will appear on the display panel according to your selection.
- MANUAL UP/DOWN TUNING & AUTOMATIC SEEK TUN-ING (TUN) - Each time the right arrow button is tapped, the radio will tune one frequency step higher. Similarly, each tap of the left arrow button will tune one frequency step lower. To manually tune in a station, tap the button of the appropriate direction until the desired frequency is reached.

Pressing either button for longer than 0.5 seconds and then releasing will activate the Automatic Seek Tuning function. The radio will seek the next available station and stop at the frequency. The Seek function can be stopped by pressing the button again or activating any other tuning function.

- AUTO-STORE TUNING (AS) & PRE-SET SCAN TUNING (PS) During radio operation, press this button momentarily to scan the 6 stations pre-set into the memories of that band. The unit will stop at each pre-set station for 5 seconds before continuing to the next pre-set station. Press the button again momentarily to stop Pre-Set Scan operation and remain on the selected frequency. Pressing the button for longer than 2 seconds will activate the Auto-Store Tuning feature which will automatically scan the band and
- **STATION PRE-SET MEMORIES** To set any of the 6 pre-set memories in each band, use the following procedure:

enter up to 6 strong stations into the 6 pre-set memories.

- 1. Turn the radio on and select the desired band.
- 2. Select the first station to be pre-set using the Manual Up/Down or Automatic Seek Tuning controls.
- 3. Press the pre-set button to be set and continue to hold it in. After approximately 2 seconds, the pre-set number will appear on the display panel, indicating that the station is now set into that pre-set memory position. The station can now be recalled at any time by pressing that button.
- 4. Repeat the above procedure for the remaining 5 pre-sets on that band and for the other 4 bands on the unit.
- **DISC SLOT** With the label surface facing up, gently insert the disc into the slot until the soft-loading mechanism engages and disc play begins.
- TRACK SELECT (TRK) These buttons are used to quickly select the beginning of a particular track. With each momentary tap of the Forward Track Select button (right arrows), the next higher track number will be selected as shown on the display panel. Similarly, with each momentary tap the Backward Track Select button (left arrows), the next lower track number will be selected.
- CD PLAY/PAUSE SELECTOR (II) During disc play, press this button to temporarily stop play of the disc. Press the button again to resume play of the disc from the point at which it was stopped.
- **REPEAT PLAY SELECTOR (RPT)** During disc play, press this button to repeat the play of the selected track ("RPT" will appear on the display panel). Play of the track will continue to repeat until the button is pressed again.
- SHUFFLE PLAY SELECTOR (SHF) During disc play, press this button to play the tracks on the disc in a random shuffled order ("SHF" will appear on the display panel). The Shuffle Play mode can be cancelled by pressing the button again.

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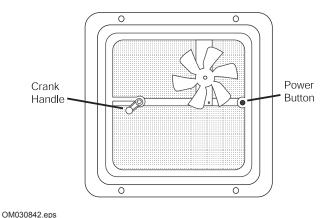
- TRACK SCAN (SCN) During disc play, press this button to play the first 10 seconds of each track on the disc ("SCN" will appear on the display panel). When a desired track is reached, press the Scan button again to cancel the function and play of the selected track will continue.
- **DISC EJECT (UP ARROW)** Disc play is stopped, the disc is ejected and the unit will change to radio operation by pressing this button.
- TIME/FREQUENCY SELECTOR (T/F) This unit can be set so that either the clock time or radio frequency/CD player functions will normally appear on the display panel. Pressing the Time/Frequency Selector button when the radio frequency or CD player tack indication is shown will change the display to show the time. Pressing the Time/Frequency Selector button will change the display to show the radio frequency/CD player indication.
- FRONT PANEL RELEASE BUTTON This button is used to release the mechanism that holds the front panel to the chassis. To detach the front panel, press the button so that the left side of the panel is released. Grasp the released side and pull it off the chassis. To re-attach the panel, position the right side of the panel in place first and then press the left side of the panel until the mechanism locks it into place.

The motorhome may have been pre-wired for a Citizen Band (CB) Radio. A two pin connector is labeled Citizen Band Radio for future installation. The red wire is fused at a two amp connection in the front distribution panel. The ground wire, white in color, is connected to the chassis frame.

CITIZEN BAND (CB) RADIO PREWIRE (OPTIONAL)

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FANS Bathroom

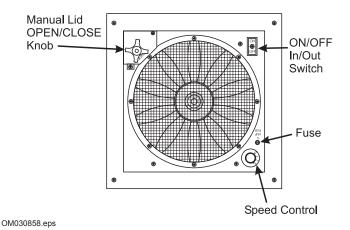


The motorhome is equipped with roof air vents which are manually operated. The vent is opened or closed by simply turning the crank handle in the desired direction. The fan is for ventilation only (it will not help to cool the motorhome) and is operated by pushing the small power button. The vent must be opened before using the power fan. To close the power air vent, push in the power button to stop the fan and close the vent.

Exhaust (Optional)

The fan is a three speed fan with a **0** or **OFF** position. The fan will either pull in air or extract air from the motorhome. There are three controls located on the ceiling vent fan. The knurled knob is used to open the vent cover. The rotary knob will select the operating speed of the fan.

The **IN/OUT** switch controls the direction of the fan rotation. When the vent cover is opened approximately two inches, the fan motor will operate. The vent cover lid must be manually controlled during normal operations by the knurled knob.



To Operate The Fan:

- Open the vent cover using the OPEN/CLOSE knob.
- Select the desired fan direction to IN/OUT.
- Select the desired fan speed on the Speed Control dial:

0 = OFF.

1 = LOW.

2 = MEDIUM.

3 = HIGH.



NOTE: If the speed switch is in the "0" position the fan operates only as a vent.

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Tips

- To keep condensation from accumulating open the vent fan lids slightly to help the air circulate. Condensation occurs naturally from fluctuations in interior and exterior temperatures, humidity and dew point changes, steam from cooking or boiling large amounts of water on the cooktop. Shower usage also produces condensation.
- If the fan fails to operate check for a blown fuse either in the domestic fuse panel or the 6 amp fuse on the fan.
- To clean the screen remove the eight screws holding it in place. Wash the screen using a non-abrasive soap and water. Re-install the screen and tighten the screws.
- Keep all the vents closed when using the Fantastic Fan Vent.

 Direct the airflow by slightly opening the window(s) on the shaded side of the motorhome to obtain the maximum air flow, especially on hot, sunny days. Close all the roof vents. The area between the open window(s) and the Fantastic Vent supplies the maximum air flow and provides the most comfort.



NOTE: Do not leave the vent cover open while the motorhome is stored or unattended for extended periods of time. High winds, other unusual conditions or obstructions may prevent closing. The resulting leakage could cause serious damage.

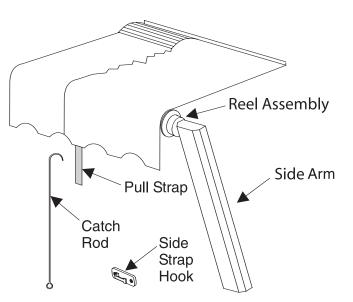
To Extend Awning:

- 1. Catch the loop of the pull strap with the awning rod.
- 2. Pull the awning to fully extend the reel assembly and the side arms away from the motorhome.
- 3. Hook the pull strap on to the side strap hook.
- 4. Remove the awning rod from the pull strap and store it.

To Retract Awning:

- 1. Hook the awning rod on to the pull strap.
- 2. Remove the pull strap from the side strap hook and slowly allow the awning to retract.
- 3. Remove the awning rod from the pull strap. Loop and store the rod.

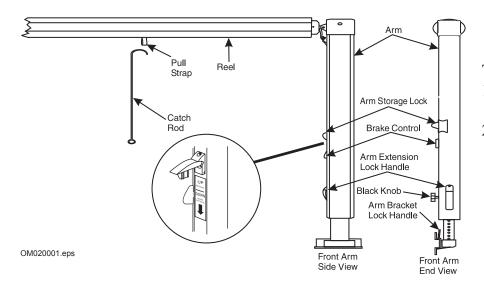
AWNINGS - Window Awning (Optional)



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Patio Awning - Optional



To Unlock The Awning:

- Loosen the black locking knobs.
- 2. Lift the arm storage locks located on each upper arm to the unlock position. Slide the brake control, located on the front arm only, to the full up (unlock) postion.

To Extend The Patio Awning:

- 1. Hook the loop of the center pull strap with the pull wand and draw the awning away from the motorhome to the desired extension. Slide the center pull strap to one end of the awning and store it.
- 2. Slide the inner rafters to the top of each arm and push outward to the tension canopy. Tighten the black locking knobs.
- 3. Raise the arm extension lock handles and slide the awning upward. Lower the lock handles and move the awning arm upward or downward to lock the detent into the hole. First, raise the lock handles on the main side. Next, raise the lock handles to the entry door. Go to the other awning arm and do the same. Make sure the awning is straight.

To Retract The Patio Awning:

Retract the arms and lower the awning until the arms rest on the lower stop bolts and lock into position. Loosen the two black locking knobs. Release the locking tab on the end of the awning leg. Slide the pull strap to the center of the awning while holding on to the strap. Allow the awning to roll up to the stored position.

- Snap the arm storage locks into the down position and tighten the black locking knobs.
- Verify that the brake control is in the locked or closed position.



CAUTION: When the awning is at full extension do not allow the awning to snap back into the retracted position. Personal injury or damage to the awning or motorhome may occur.

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Rain Release Setting:

After the awning has been extended choose the rain release position to prevent water build up on the awning. To position the awning in the rain release setting lower one arm of the awning and leave the other arm in the normal position. This will create enough of a slope for adequate water run off.

Using The Carport Feature:

To safely use the carport feature:

- 1. Extend the braces and lock them into the end of the side arms. Tighten the black knobs.
- 2. Extend the awning as described under "To Extend Awning."
- 3. Unlatch the bottom of the rear arm by pushing in on the lock handle on the arm bracket. Swing the arm away from the motorhome to an upright position.
- 4. Raise the rear arm extension lock handle all the way up to the unlocked position. Extend the arm to position the awning at the desired height and lower the lock handle to lock the arms in place.
- 5. Drive the stakes through the bottom holes in the arm.
- 6. Repeat instructions 1 through 5 for the front arm extension lock handle.



NOTE: To move the awning out of the carport position reverse the above steps.

Securing The Awning For Travel:

Before traveling, check the following:

- 1. The awning is fully retracted against the sides of the motorhome.
- 2. The black locking knobs are tightened.
- 3. The storage locks are down and in the locked position.
- 4. The brake control is in the full down (locked) position and no red warning is showing.
- 5. The bottom of the front and rear arms are latched properly into the bottom brackets.
- 6. The catch rod is stored away.

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Care and Maintenance:

Washing:

On a monthly basis, loosen hardened dirt and remove dust from the awning with a dry, medium bristle brush. Thoroughly rinse both the top and bottom with a hose. Wash both sides of the awning using a quality vinyl cleaner solution and an awning brush. (Washing the awning can be made easier with use of awning maintenance products.) Saturate the fabric with the cleaning solution and leave it on for 15-20 minutes. If necessary, reapply the solution to keep the fabric saturated. Rinse the awning thoroughly. Repeat, if necessary, until most of the stains disappear.

Water Leaks:

If leaking occurs after washing it generally results from insufficient rinsing. If water drips through the needle holes in the stitching use a commercial seam sealer which is available in canvas and trailer supply stores. Paraffin wax may also be applied to the top of the seams. As the awning "weathers" these holes will normally seal themselves.

It is normal for slight leakage to occur through the fabric where water is allowed to accumulate or pocket on the fabric. See "Storm Precautions" for information on the awning settings for proper water drainage. Sometimes soap or chemical residue, such as from active agents in insect fog or sprays, can "wet" the fabric so that it appears unable to repel water. Rinse the fabric thoroughly and test to see if it is water repellent after it dries. If leakage continues after repeating the washing and thoroughly rinsing, please contact Carefree Awning Magic concerning further maintenance.

Storm Precautions:

The warranty does not cover damage caused by acts of God; therefore, steps should be taken to prevent damage from occurring due to wind, rain or storms. If you are leaving or retiring for the night, close the awning. This takes only a few minutes, and it gives the best protection for the awning. If closing the awning is not possible at the time, lower both ends of it as far as possible to create a sufficient slope for water run-off. One end may be lowered to sufficiently divert the water if the awning is being monitored.

Water weighs 8.33 pounds per gallon. The awning was not made to withstand the 500 to 700 pounds that could accumulate. It is best not to subject the awning and the motorhome to the needless strain.



NOTE: Allow the awning material to thoroughly dry before rolling the awning up. Metal surfaces should be cleaned with soapy water and thoroughly rinsed.

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The Carefree One Touch automatic awning requires only "finger tip" operation. A key lock on the One Touch switch pad is provided to prevent accidental deployment of the awning while the motorhome is in motion. The key is removable in the lock or unlock position.

Gas filled struts keep the awning fabric tight at any extended position. The 12 Volt DC motor for the One Touch awning uses approximately 15 amps while in operation.

To Extend the Awning:

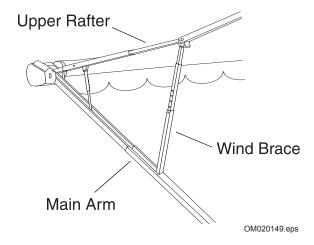
- Verify all persons and objects are clear from the extend path of the awning and related hardware.
- Turn the One Touch key to the **ON** position.
- Depress and hold the momentary switch to EXTEND. Motor will automatically stop at full extension.
- Allow 14 seconds for awning to reach full extesion.
- Extension distance or fabric tension is adjusted by toggling between RETRACT and EXTEND.
- Turn the One Touch key to the **OFF** position.
- Install the wind braces (2) between the upper rafter and the main arm. Adjust wind brace so the inner spring is under tension.

Awning - Automatic (Optional)



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CAUTION: The patio awning requires nine feet of lateral clearance from the side of the motorhome. This distance will allow the awning to reach full extension. The One Touch patio awning was not designed with a carport feature or a rain release setting. The awning should be retracted if the motorhome is left unattended or high wind conditions exist. Otherwise, wind damage to the awning may occur.



NOTE: It is not required to have the awning at full extension. Awning may be stopped at any time of extension or retraction by releasing the momentary switch.



NOTE: Some models may require that the ignition key be turned to accessory or the ignition run position.

To Retract the Awning:

- Remove the wind braces and store for future use.
- Verify all persons and objects are clear from the retract path of the awning and related hardware.
- Turn the One Touch key to the **ON** position.

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- Depress and hold the momentary switch to **RETRACT**. The motor will automatically stop at full retraction.
- It takes approximately 14 seconds for the awning to travel from the fully extended position to the fully retracted position.
- Turn the One Touch key to the **OFF** position to avoid accidental deployment of the awning while the vehicle is in motion.

Tips:

If the awning fails to retract or extend:

- Verify the One Touch key is in the **ON** position.
- The house battery cut off switch is in the **ON** position.
- The house battery voltage is at 12 Volts or above.
- Verify proper electrical connection from the awning motor to the side of the motorhome.

Emergency Retract Procedure:

If the One Touch awning fails to retract, and proper DC voltages have been verified, the One Touch awning has two emergency methods for retracting the awning:

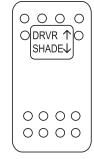
- 1. Two exposed electrical studs are mounted externally at the forward end of the awning at the motor assembly. An alternate 12 Volt DC positive and negative supply may be applied to these connections. If awning fails to move, reverse the polarity of the alternate supply leads.
- 2. On the motor assembly, mounted externally at the forward end of the awning, is an opening. Insert a 9/64" Allen hex wrench. Using an electric drill, wind the awning to the retract position.



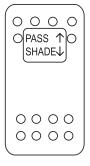
CAUTION: When using an alternate method to operate the awning use extreme care to keep appendages, hair or loose clothing away from exposed rotating hardware.

SUNVISORS (Optional)

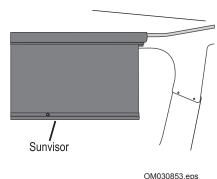
To extend the sunvisor press and hold the lower portion of the control switch until the desired location is obtained. Once the desired point is obtained the sunvisor will remain in that position until changed. Retracting the sunvisor is the same as extending, except the upper portion of the switch is used. Cleaning the sunvisor should be done using a soft clean brush to remove dust.



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The sofa will convert easily into a bed. The sofa comes equipped with safety belts and these should be used if occupied during travel.

SOFA BED CONVERSION

• Raise the sofa seat base until seat base and backrest form a V shape by lifting up from the center of sofa just below the seat cushions.

Sofa to Sleeper

- Push down on seat base until the seat base and backrest are flat.
- Fold seat belts out of the way.
- Lift the seat base up until seat and back rest are in a V shape.

Sleeper to Sofa

• Push down on seat base.

The sofa hide-a-bed will convert easily into a bed. Clear the area of obstructions and debris. The sofa comes equipped with safety belts and these should be used if occupied during travel.

SOFA HIDE-A-BED CONVERSION

• Remove the three seat cushions to access the hide-a-bed. The seat cushion should be stored safely until the bed is converted back to a sofa.

Sofa to Sleeper

- Release the lock on the right side of metal bar, grasp the front metal bar and lift up pulling out on the bar slightly until the leg of the bed is firmly resting on the floor.
- Fold seat belts out of the way.
- When the legs of the bed are firmly on the floor there will be another lifting bar exposed to complete the conversion process.
- Grasping and opening the lifting bar will open the bed fully. The bed is now ready for linen.
- Remove all bedding from the hide-a-bed.

- Sleeper to Sofa
- Grasp the foot of the hide-a-bed in the center using the metal lifting bar.
- Fold over the bottom portion of the bed that will form the seat.
- Lift the front portion of the lifting bar to raise and lower the hide-a-bed back into the sofa base.
- Position the seat belts for use.
- Replace the seat cushions.
- The booth dinette easily converts into a bed.
- Lift seat cushions to an angled vertical position.
- With a firm grip, lift front edge of the table approximately six inches and push table leg lock to side.
- Swing the table leg up and lock into a horizontal position.

DINETTE BED

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- Continue lifting table until table stays are clear of retainers. Pull outward and lower table down.
- Use both seat cushions and one back cushion for a mattress. Leave one back cushion in a vertical position.



WARNING: Do not occupy the booth dinette, if NOT equipped with safety belts, or the dining chairs while the motorhome is in motion. To avoid personal injury to occupants in case of a crash or sudden stop, chairs must be stored in an enclosed area or secured with tie down straps while the motorhome is in motion.

TO EXTEND FIXED DINETTE

- To extend and add table top leaf unlock and slide it all the way out against stop.
- Lift leaf from storage compartment and place it on rails.
- Slide top and leaf against wall.
- Reverse procedure to store table top leaf.

STORAGE-UNDER BED

To use the storage compartment located under the bed, locate and unlock the bed deck latches. Lift up the bed by the front edge of the mattress platform. Gas struts hold the mattress and platform open.



NOTE: Do not over stress gas struts by rapidly opening or closing the bed access cover. This action can damage the struts or mounts. In extreme cold gas struts may not hold the mattress platform in the open position.

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INTRODUCTION

This section contains information and knowledge for the operation and care of the various water system equipment found in the motorhome. The motorhome is equipped with two separate water systems. Optional water equipment will also be discussed, so not all information may be applicable to the motorhome. More detailed information with CAUTION or WARNING instructions for the various equipment, other than what is found in this section, can be found in the manufacturer's manual in the owner information box.

It is hard to imagine how much water you use everyday when you are at home. Newcomers to self-contained motorhomes soon discover that water does not last very long unless consumption is drastically reduced. For instance, you can use less water for showering if you wet down, turn off water while soaping, then turn on water to rinse. This way a good shower uses a gallon or less of water. There is plenty of water to meet personal needs once you modify some habits.

Fresh Water System:

The fresh water system consists of fresh water tank, water pump, gravity fill connection, water filter and a city/fresh water connection.

Waste Water System:

The waste water system consists of a waste holding tank (grey water), a sewage holding tank (black water), flush system, toilet and drains.

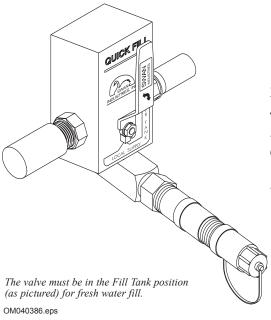
The motorhome is equipped with a monitor panel to aide in managing the storage tanks. The monitor panel will be located in the hall area. The switch marked **TANK TEST** is a momentary switch which requires being held down while testing the level of the storage tanks. Read the scale for the desired storage tank which is to be monitored. Each scale uses colored lights along with a corresponding scale reading. The light and scale indications are as follows:

- Green lamps indicate good or normal ranges.
- Amber lamps indicate fair or partial ranges.
- Red lamps indicate full or empty ranges (depending on the scale) which are in the critical range.

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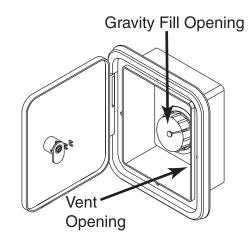
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WATER TANK -FRESH WATER FILL



- 1. Check to make sure the fresh water tank drain valve, located on roadside in the service center, is in the closed position.
- 2. Connect the hose labeled for potable water to the water source. The water hose from the source to the motorhome sometimes will not have a pressure regulator inline. On a hot day the hose may expand and burst from water pressure within the water hose.
- 3. Remove white plug in the end of the pressure regulator.
- 4. Connect the water hose to the City water inlet.
- 5. The knife valve should be in the Fresh Water position.
- 6. Turn on the water at the water source. The water should be audible as the fresh water tank fills.
- 7. Locate the hall monitor panel and the switch marked TANK TEST inside the motorhome. The switch is a momentary switch that requires the switch to be held in position while testing the level in the fresh water tank. Read the scale as the fresh water tank is filling. When the 2/3 tank light illuminates it should not take much longer to finish filling the tank. Do not leave coach unattended while filling the fresh water tank. The light marked "F" should start to blink as a warning that the fresh water tank is almost full. Return to the service center. When the fresh water tank is full, water will come out an overflow tube under the coach on the driver's side.
- 8. Turn off water supply as quickly as possible.

WATER TANK -FRESH GRAVITY FILL



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The gravity fill inlet allows fluids to be introduced directly into the fresh water tank. When dry camping water can be poured directly from a container into the fresh water tank. The gravity fill inlet can be used to pour disinfecting solution into the fresh water tank or when using potable RV antifreeze to winterize the fresh water system. Use only potable water sources, solutions and delivery systems when using the gravity fill inlet.

Filling the Tank:

- 1. Unscrew fill cap taking care to keep cap and inlet clean.
- 2. Insert potable water hose into inlet.
- 3. Fill tank until water overflows from inlet.



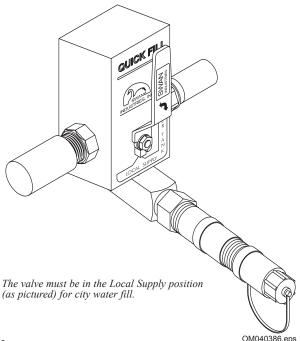
NOTE: When filling tank do not leave hose unattended.

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When connecting the motorhome to fresh water, be sure to use a hose manufactured and labeled for potable water to insure that the hose will not flavor the water.

- 1. Remove white plug in the end of the water inlet.
- 2. Connect water hose to the city water inlet.
- 3. Knife valve handle should be in the position shown in the picture.
- 4. Turn on water at water source.
- 5. The water pump can either be in the OFF position or in the ON position. It will not affect the water pump to leave it on.
- 6. The fresh water connection has a built in pressure regulator and a one way check valve that protects the motorhome to 45 lbs.
- 7. You may need to open each faucet one at a time to rid any trapped air inside the pipes.

WATER - CITY HOOK-UP





CAUTION: Some water sources develop high water pressure, particularly in mountainous regions. High water pressure is anything over 55 psi (pounds per square inch). Excessive water pressure may cause leaks in water lines and/or damage the water heater. The coach does come with a pressure regulator.

The water pump is used to pressurize the fresh water system when it is not connected to city water. The water pump is totally automatic and self- priming, operating on demand as water is used. The pressure equalizer tank relieves the water pump from cycling when a small amount of water is used. The water pump is located in a water control compartment of the motorhome.

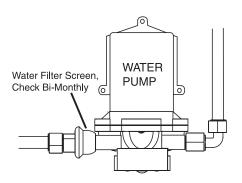


WARNING: Before leaving the coach for extended periods of time (i.e. overnight or longer) be sure that the city water and all water pumps have been turned off. Damage from neglect will be responsibility of the owner and not Monaco Coach Corporation.

To operate the water pump, push on switch and watch for the switch light to stay on. The remote switches are located in the hall area and on the outside water control panel.

Do not allow the pump to run when the fresh water supply tank is empty. Continued operation with a dry tank may open an electrical circuit and/or damage the water pump.

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To start pump after unhooking city water supply or first time use proceed as follows:

- Fill the fresh water tank.
- Open all valves and faucets except the drain valves. This includes hot and cold water valves, all faucets and shower
- Turn the water pump on and wait for the water lines and the hot water tank to fill.
- Close each faucet when it delivers a steady stream of water (cold water faucets first).

Water Pump -Troubleshooting

Vibration induced by road conditions can cause the plumbing or pump hardware to loosen. Check for system components that are loose. Many symptoms can be resolved by simply tightening the hardware. Check the following items along with other particulars of the system.

The water pump will not start/blows the circuit:

- Check the electrical connections, fuse, breaker, main switch and ground connection.
- Is the motor hot? The thermal breaker may have triggered. It will reset when cool.
- Is the voltage present at the switch? Bypass the pressure switch.
- Does the pump operate?
- Check the charging system for correct voltage and check the pump for the proper ground connection.
- Look for an open or grounded circuit or motor.
- Check for seized or locked diaphragm assembly (water frozen).

The water pump will not prime/sputters (No discharge/motor runs):

- Is the strainer clogged with debris?
- Is there water in the tank, or has air collected in the hot water heater?
- Is the inlet tubing/plumbing sucking in air at plumbing connections (vacuum leak)?
- Check for proper voltage with the pump operating.
- Look for debris in the pump inlet/outlet valves or dry/swollen valves.
- Check the pump housing for cracks or loose drive assembly screws.

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The water pump will not shut-off/runs when the faucet is closed:

- Check to see if the fresh water tank fill valve is completely closed.
- Check output side (pressure) plumbing for leaks and inspect for a leaky toilet or valves.
- Look for loose drive assembly or pump head screws.
- Are the valves or the internal check valve held open by debris or is the rubber swollen?

The water pump is noisy or rough in operation:

- Check for plumbing which may have vibrated loose.
- Does the mounting surface multiply noise (flexible)?
- Check for mounting feet that are loose or compressed too tight.
- Look for loose pump head to motor screws (three long screws).
- Is the motor with the pump head removed? Is noise coming from the motor or pump head?

The water pump is rapid cycling:

• Look for restrictive plumbing/flow restrictors in the faucets or shower heads.

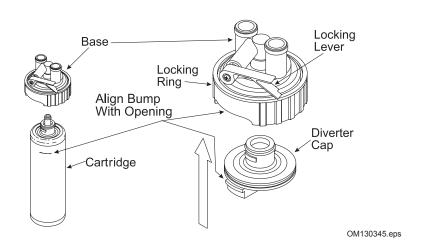
Servicing the Filter:

The water filter is located under the galley sink, and may have been installed in the motorhome without its cartridge.

The unit ADC Cartridge is easily installed by following the simple instructions on the cartridge wrapper. A fresh replacement cartridge is needed when the flow of water from the faucet becomes too slow for convenience. How often will this occur? That depends on how cloudy the unfiltered water is and how much water is used.

Each time water passes through the water filter dirt particles are trapped and held in the tiny pores of the micro-pure coating on the filtering element inside the cartridge. As the cartridge actively

WATER FILTER (Optional)



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removes the impurities from the water its microscopically small pores slowly fill up, and the amount of water flowing from the cartridge gradually lessens.

When the flow of water from the water filter becomes too slow for convenience it should be serviced. If the cartridge is not changed, eventually the flow will stop entirely. Even when a decreasing flow does not demand it, at least one cartridge change a year is recommended for reliable performance from the Water Filtration System.

WATER SYSTEM - Troubleshooting

Water system problems and leaks usually fall into two categories: system problems and problems caused by improper use or lack of attention. These problems usually stem from improper winterizing, poor maintenance, road vibration and campsite water pressure variations. Check all plumbing connections for leaks at least once a year. If the water pump runs when a faucet is not open, check for a water leak. Be sure the tank drain valves are closed. If the system continues to leak take the motorhome to an authorized dealer for service.

WATER SYSTEM - Disinfecting Fresh Water

Disinfecting the water system with chlorine bleach (superchlorination) protects you and your family from bacteriological or viral contamination from any common water source.

You should disinfect the water system:

- If the motorhome is new.
- If the motorhome has not been used in a long time.
- Every **three** months.



NOTE: An independently operated water pump with garden hose connections and a container to hold prepared solution may be desired to perform this task. The gravity fill may also be used to perform the task. Remove cap off the gravity fill. Add the solution to the fresh water tank. When finished, secure the gravity feed cap.

Use following procedure to disinfect water system:

- If applicable, remove the filter element from the filter and reassemble the filter without the elements (see "Filter").
- Prepare a chlorine bleach solution using 1 gallon water and 1/4 cup of chlorine bleach. Use 1 gallon of solution for every 15 gallons of tank capacity. Example: Add 2-2/3 gallons solution to a 40 gallon tank. Add 4-2/3 gallons solution to a 70 gallon tank. Add 6-2/3 gallons to 100 gallon tank. This mixture puts a 50 ppm (parts per million) residual in the water system. This concentration will act as a quick-kill dosage for harmful

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bacteria, viruses and slime-forming organisms. Concentrations higher than 50 ppm may damage the water lines and/or tanks.

- Drain the fresh water tank. Close the drain and pour the solution into the fresh water tank using the gravity fill and a funnel. Turn on the water pump, open each faucet and run the water until you smell a distinct chlorine bleach odor. Do not forget the hot water, tub and shower faucets.
- Allow the system to stand for four hours.
- Drain the system and flush with fresh water. The drain is located in the outside water control compartment. Install new water filters. Flush with fresh water repeatedly, if necessary, until no chlorine bleach taste or smell is left in the water system.

TANK CAPACITIES - CHART

SPECIFICATION CHART						
MODEL	30PBD	32PBD	34SBD	34PBD	36WDD	36DBD
Water Heater	6 gal.					
Grey Tank	42 gal.	42/40 gal.				
Black Tank	42 gal.	42/39 gal.				
Fresh Tank	67 gal.	67 gal.	67 gal.	67 gal.	55 gal.	55 gal.
Fuel Tank	75 gal.					
LP Tank*	33 gal.					

(*Actual filled LP capacity is 80% of listing due to safety shut off required on tank.)

NOTE: This chart reflects product specifications available at the time of printing. Therefore any floor plans introduced thereafter may not be reflected in the chart. All other information contained throughout the manual will still apply.

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WASTE WATER SYSTEM -Waste Drains & Sewage Tanks

The waste drainage system is designed to provide adequate and safe storage and/or discharge of waste materials. All materials used in the fabrication and installation of the system are tested by a nationally recognized testing laboratory. The entire fabricated waste system is factory tested in accordance with American National Standards Code A119.2. The drainage system uses ABS plastic piping and fittings for its connection to the sinks, shower, toilet and holding tanks which provide for the proper drainage to an outside termination. The motorhome should be reasonably level for optimum operation of the systems. Two separate waste water systems are in the motorhome: one for waste water (grey water) and one for sewage waste (black water). Each has its own storage tank and control valve. Both systems empty through a sewer drain hose. When the motorhome is traveling, both holding tanks should be empty or less than half full.

What Not to Put in Waste Holding Tanks

- Do not use strong or full strength detergents to deodorize and disinfect. Use odor control chemicals made especially for holding tanks.
- Do not put automotive antifreeze, ammonia, alcohol or acetone in holding tanks. Some chemicals will dissolve plastic.
- Do not put large table scraps in the tanks. They could get stuck in or damage the valve seals.
- Do not flush facial tissues. They are treated chemically to strengthen them and will not dissolve like toilet paper. Special holding tank tissues are available at most RV supply stores. White toilet paper dissolves faster than colored papers.

Proper Waste Disposal

Most State Parks have strict regulations about discharging wastes except into authorized disposal systems. Dumping raw sewage from toilet holding tanks, except at authorized dumping stations, is universally prohibited. Most National, State and private parks have either a central dump facility or campsite hook-up for sewage. Many of the modern rest areas along the interstate now have dump stations available. You will find a list of dumping stations from coast to coast in Woodall's Campground Directory, Trailer Life's RV Campgrounds and Services Directory, Rand McNally's Campground and Trailer Park Guide, Good Sam Park Director (Good Sam Club) and other publications. Some major oil companies offer dump facilities at selected stations. Plan ahead and you will find few inconveniences in proper and legal disposal of holding tank wastes.

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When you park in an area with sewer hook up available the waste holding grey tank gate valve can remain open once you have connected to the sewer hook-up. The sewage holding black tank valve must be closed at all times except when dumping. One thing you may want to consider prior to dumping the holding tanks is to allow enough fluid to accumulate in the grey tank before dumping. Then you dump the black tank first so the grey tank fluid may be used to flush the sewer hose.

Connecting to Available Sewer Hook-Up

The toilet operates from either fresh water tank or city water supply. The water pump must be turned on or the city water connected. The toilet flushes directly into a sewage holding tank (black water).

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- To add water to the toilet before using, lift the flush lever until the desired water level is reached.
- To flush the toilet, step on the pedal until sewage leaves the toilet. The water flow pressures vary at different locations; therefore, holding the flush lever down for five to eight seconds may be required. We recommend 2-gpm flow for proper rim and bowl wash.
- To operate the remote mounted hose sprayer push down the lever and hold it. Release the flush lever by allowing it to snap back, which permits positive sealing around the flush ball. A small amount of water should remain in bowl.



NOTE: Holding flush lever down longer than necessary results in excessive water usage.

The toilet should be cleaned regularly for maximum sanitation and operational efficiency. Clean the toilet bowl with a mild bathroom cleaner. Do not use chlorine or caustic chemicals, such as drain opening types, as they will damage the seals.

Clean out the system by flushing several gallons of fresh water through with one cup of dry laundry detergent. Add odor control deodorant, in the amount specified for the holding tank capacity, after cleaning and every few days during use.

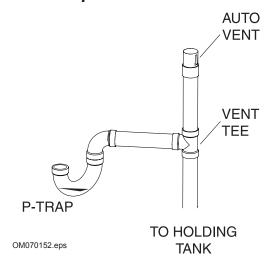
Cleaning

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To find leaks, check behind or under toilet. Take four or five sheets of toilet tissue and wipe all the seams and waterline connections. Start at the top of the unit and work downward. When the tissue comes in contact with leaking water it will immediately change texture.

Drain Traps & Auto Vents



Sinks, shower and clothes washer drains incorporate a water trap or "P-trap" and auto vents to prevent waste water holding tank odor from entering the motorhome. These P-traps for the most part are usually within 54" of a vent tee. These traps must have water in them to block odors. During storage water can evaporate and allow odor into motorhome. If odor is detected run water into sinks, shower and clothes washer to fill drain traps. The auto vent by design is to assist in the flow of water in the drain lines. They enable a smooth flow water in the drain without creating vacuum pressure in the lines.

The auto vent, if stuck in the open position, can allow grey odors to enter the motorhome. These auto vents also double as "clean outs" in the event you have to snake out a line.



NOTE: Most chemical mixtures for holding tank odor control are poisonous. Follow the product manufacturer's directions and warnings when using any holding tank additive.

Draining the Waste Holding Tanks

Before you start to dump the waste tanks take a few minutes to exercise the drain pipe. Grasp both sides of the drain pipe firmly and swivel the pipe up and down. This will exercise the O-rings. When the drain pipe is pointed up turn the drain end cap counterclockwise and remove it from the drain pipe. This will prevent any residual spill from running out.

To dump the waste holding tanks:

- Unscrew the bottom access hole plug from the service compartment. Feed the adapter end of the drain hose up through the hole and install the hose adapter on the drain pipe.
- Attach the other end of the drain hose to the sewer connection at the dump station.
- Rotate the drain pipe downward to maximize flow.
- Drain the sewage tank first by pulling the large T-handle gate valve out on the water connection panel. Water can be heard rushing through the hose.
- Flush the sewage tank. Connect the water supply hose to the SEWAGE TANK FLUSH connection on the water connection panel. This water supply hose should not be the same hose used to connect the city/fresh water hook-up. Ensure the T-handle gate valve remains open when

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flushing the sewage tank. Turn the water on and flush the system for approximately two minutes. Again, water running through the drain hose should be audible.

- Turn the water off and disconnect the water supply hose when finished flushing the system.
- After you have drained and flushed the sewage tank drain the waste water tank by pulling the T-handle out on the water connection panel.
- Flush the waste holding tanks with fresh water before closing the gate valves. The waste water tank is flushed by pouring two gallons of water down a sink drain.
- Run the toilet water to flush the sewage tank.
- Push both T-handles in and install the end cap (required in some states) when in transit to prevent leakage.
- Flush the drain hose with either the water supply hose or the exterior faucet sprayer and secure in travel location.



WARNING: When using the black tank flush do not leave the motorhome unattended or flooding may occur. Turn off the water supply to the black tank flush when finished.

The sewage tank stores toilet drain waste only. Before using the toilet you need to treat the sewage holding tank with water that is mixed with an odor controlling chemical. These chemicals are readily available at any RV supply store. The chemicals are poured into the holding tank through the toilet. Mix the chemicals with approximately one gallon of water. Be careful not to spill the chemical on hands, clothing or carpet as it can cause permanent stain. Extremely hot weather areas may require adjusted amounts of chemical to help with odor control. Each time the holding tank is dumped repeat the chemical mixing.

What to Put into the Holding Tanks - Black Tank



CAUTION: Do not use any products that contain petroleum or ammonia in place of an RV odor controlling chemical. Petroleum and ammonia will damage the ABS plastic holding tanks and seals.

The waste tank stores sinks, shower and clothes washer drain water. No chemical is required in this holding tank; however, keep in mind this is a waste holding tank and can produce odors. A reduced mixture of chemicals may be used for odor control.

Prior to dumping the waste holding tanks be sure there is enough liquid in the holding tanks to provide a smooth flow through the valve drain pipe and drain hose. When sufficient liquid is in the tank a swirling action will result that should take accumulated solid wastes along with the waste liquid when the tank is dumped. The tanks should be emptied when they reach ½ full, or weekly, to prevent stagnation and overfilling.

What to Put into the Holding Tanks - Grey Tank

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COLD WEATHER USE

A motorhome is not designed for extended use in below freezing (32° F/0° C) weather; however, problems may not occur as long as the temperature does not drop too low.

Interior water lines, fixtures, water storage tanks and pumps are normally protected from moderate freezing temperatures as long as the furnace is operating.

Exposed drains may freeze quickly. If in doubt about what temperatures the motorhome will tolerate winterize with a potable antifreeze.

The exterior water control bay has a 12 Volt electric heater to warm the bay during cold weather. The heater should be turned on when the ambient temperature approaches 44° F.

Storage:

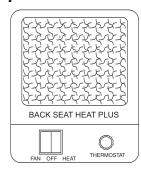
If you are storing the motorhome where freezing temperatures may occur you will need to drain the domestic fresh water loop completely of water. When draining the domestic fresh water system start off by draining the fresh water tank. This is accomplished by opening the drain valve for the fresh water tank and allowing the water to drain.



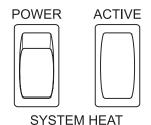
NOTE: Ice makers, water filters, water purifiers and water heaters all use domestic water and should be drained and stored in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation for winterization.

How to store the motorhome and protect the water lines is up to the motorhome owner. The lines can be air blown to remove standing water or the lines can be filled with an approved FDA RV antifreeze. Either way, all interior and exterior faucets need to be opened and closed, one at a time, to be checked. All low point drains should be opened and the holding tanks emptied.

Bay Heater Operation



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The heater is controlled using two switches. One switch is located on the heater itself and one, a remote "SYSTEMS HEAT" switch, is located inside motorhome in the hall area. Both switches must be in **ON** position for the heater to operate. Either switch turned in the **OFF** position will turn the heater off.

Heater Controls:

- 1. Function Select Switch:
 - Left Position Fan only on.
 - Middle Position Heater off.
 - Right Position Both fan and heater on.
- 2. Thermostat:
 - Rotate right or clockwise to increase temperature setting.
 - Rotate left or counterclockwise to reduce temperature setting.

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The cold weather package consists of one 12 Volt electric heating pad attached to each holding tank. Heating pads are turned on and off using the same "SYSTEMS HEAT" switch (located in the hall area) that turns on the bay heater. Pad operation is controlled by a thermostat designed to turn on at 44° F and off at 64°F. Power to pads should be turned ON when ambient temperatures approach 44° F. There must be liquid in the holding tanks when the pads are turned on.

Cold Weather Package (Optional)



CAUTION: Turn OFF power to pads when dumping the holding tanks, plugging motorhome into shore power and when starting the electric generator to prevent damage to the pad thermostat.

To use air pressure to winterize the motorhome you will need access to an air compressor and an adapter to connect the air line to the water system. Adapters can be found at most RV supply stores. When hooked to the water lines the pressure should not exceed 40 psi. Higher pressure can damage the lines.

WINTERIZING - Using Air Pressure

- 1. If applicable, remove the water filter elements from the filters and reassemble the filters without the elements (see "Water Filter").
- 2. Drain the fresh water tank by opening the valve located in the outside water control service compartment of the motorhome.
- 3. Open the water heater and the low-point drains. Turn knobs to open the drains. Open the low point drains to clear the water out of the hot and cold water lines. Leave the low-point valves open until the motorhome is used again.
- 4. Let all the water drain. Turn the pump on and allow it to run so that all the water is cleared out of the pump and lines. Turn the pump off.
- 5. After the water lines are drained, hook an air hose to the city water connection located on the water control panel in the outside service compartment. Blow out the water lines until no further water can be seen coming out of the drain lines. Do not exceed 40 psi in the water lines and faucets.
- 6. Open all faucets (including the outside spigot) one at a time while the air is on, to clear water from the faucet supply lines. Do not forget to drain the shower.
- 7. While the air is on hold the spray nozzle (located right next to the toilet) open until the water has quit running. Hold the toilet flush pedal or handle down until the water has stopped running.
- 8. Unhook the air hose and close the city water connection.
- 9. You will need 1 gallon of RV antifreeze to protect various water

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drain lines in the motorhome. Pour 1 pint into both the kitchen and bath shower drains. Pour 2 pints into the bath sink drain, with some of the antifreeze going into grey tank to protect the drain valve. While holding down the flush pedal, pour another 3-1/2 pints into the toilet, letting the antifreeze run into the black tank to protect the valve located there. Pour the last pint of antifreeze into the toilet after you have released the flush pedal. Use a soft cloth to wipe out the sinks and shower after you pour in the antifreeze to protect the surfaces from stains.

10. Leave the low-point drains open until the motorhome will be used again.



WARNING: When draining the low water drain lines and the water heater be sure the water is not hot. Hot water from the lines can burn you.

WINTERIZING -Fresh Water System Using Nontoxic Antifreeze

If you choose to fill the water lines with antifreeze, you will need 5 gallons of FDA RV winterizing antifreeze.

- 1. If applicable, remove water filter cartridge and replace filter with diverter cap (see WATER FILTER). Diverter cap comes with the motorhome and will be stored inside. With diverter cap installed it creates a bypass in water lines.
- 2. Drain the fresh water tank and lines by opening the tank drain valve and the low point drain valves located in the outside water control service compartment of the motorhome.
- 3. Let all the water drain. Turn the pump on and allow it to run so that all the water is cleared out of the pump and lines. Turn the pump off.
- 4. Remove water heater drain plug and open pressure release valve located in the outside water heater access compartment.
- 5. After the water is drained, move water heater bypass valve to BYPASS setting located next to water heater. Replace the water heater drain plug and close the pressure release valve.
- 6. Close the fresh water tank drain valve and the low point drain valves.
- 7. Close the water tank shut-off valve and position the water tank valve to "Fill Water Tank".
- 8. Install a hose to the water tank fresh water fill connection and drop the other end of hose into the anti-freeze container.
- 9. Turn ON the system water pump and operate each faucet individually until a small amount of antifreeze is present.

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- 10. Close the faucets.
- 11. Open the shower faucets and toilet valves to allow a small amount of antifreeze to run into the holding tanks.
- 12. Use a soft cloth to wipe out the sinks and shower to protect surface from antifreeze stains.
- 13. Exterior faucet should be opened and closed using the same procedures as the interior faucets.
- 14. If the motorhome is equipped with an ice maker, remove the ³/₄ inch fitting and flush antifreeze through the water line.
- 15. Turn water pump off.
- 16. Disconnect the power supply line affecting water pump operation.

De-winterization:

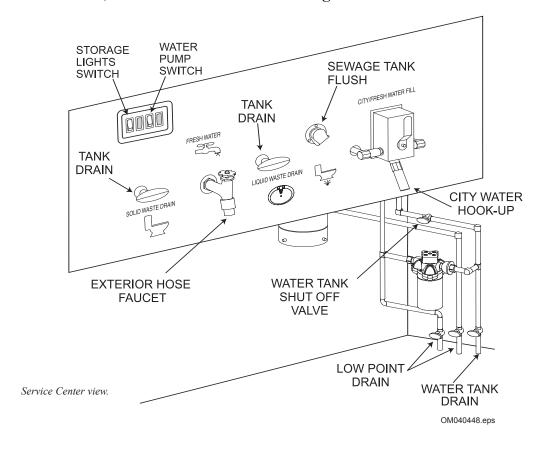
For de-winterization, drain off the fresh tank and fill the fresh tank with water. Reconnect the power supply line for the water pump. Operate all faucets, one at a time, until clear water is present. If applicable, install new water filter. Fill water heater with water.



WARNING: You should use only non-toxic RV antifreeze that is specifically made for potable water systems. Automotive antifreeze, if ingested, can cause blindness, deafness or death.



WARNING: It is recommended that this procedure be done by a qualified RV service technician familiar with motorhomes, such as the authorized selling dealer.



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This section contains information and knowledge for the operation and care of the various Liquefied Petroleum (LP-Gas) system equipment found in the motorhome. The motorhome is equipped with several appliances and various equipment which are capable to operate on LP-Gas. Some items discussed may not be applicable to all motorhomes. More detailed information with CAUTION or WARNING instructions for the various equipment, other than what is found in this section, can be found in the manufacturer's manual in the owner's information box.

All components for the motorhome LP-Gas systems are approved for use in camping vehicles by a nationally recognized testing laboratory. When properly handled, LP-Gas is a clean-burning dependable fuel for heat producing components. The LP-Gas tank mounted in the motorhome contains liquid petroleum gas which is under high pressure. As the fuel is used liquid gas vaporizes and passes through the tank valve to a regulator that automatically reduces pressure. Low-pressure gas is then distributed to components through a pipe manifold system.

Component lighting problems are commonly caused by an improperly adjusted gas regulator. Do not attempt to reset the regulator. Adjustments need to be made by a dealer or an authorized service person.

In higher elevations or extreme cold weather (10° F/-21° C or lower) a shortage of LP-Gas may be experienced. Usage can be modified by running only one component at a time. For example, turn off the furnace while using the range. If LP-Gas is going to be used in higher elevations or cold climates for a long period of time have an authorized service person adjust the LP-Gas regulator for these conditions.

It is recommended that the LP-Gas system be checked by an authorized dealer at least once a year, and thereafter before every extended trip. Although the manufacturer and the dealer test the system carefully for leakage, travel vibrations can loosen fittings.

Leaks can be easily found by applying a leak detector solution on all connections. If a leak detector solution is not available, a soapy water solution made with dish soap can be used. Rinse fittings thoroughly with clean water after use of soap solution.

Leaks can usually be repaired by tightening the fittings. If not, shut off the main gas valve at the tank. Immediately see an authorized dealer for repairs. Hand tighten the tank valves only. Do not use a wrench or pliers as over tightening may damage valve seats and cause leaks. If you suspect a leak (which can be easily identified by the odor of rotten eggs or sulfur) never light a match, have an open flame or use any spark producing equipment or appliance.



WARNING: LP-Gas is highly volatile and extremely explosive. Do not use matches or a flame to test for leaks. Use only approved LP-Gas leak testing solution for leak detection. Unapproved solutions can damage copper tubing and brass fittings. Never attempt to adjust LP-Gas regulators. Only qualified personnel should perform any maintenance or repair to the LP-Gas system.

LP-GAS SYSTEMS



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LP-GAS DETECTOR



LP-Gas Detector
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Provided for safety is a LP-Gas detector. This gas detector will detect both LP-Gas and Methane Gas. Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LP-Gas) is heavier than air. Methane Gas is lighter than air. LP-Gas will settle to the lowest point, generally the floor of the motorhome. Methane Gas will rise. The LP-Gas detector is also sensitive to fumes such as hairspray, most of which contain butane as a propellant. Butane, like propane, is heavier than air and will settle to the floor level where it will be detected. When an exact detection occurs, press the reset button to stop alert sound for 60 seconds in order to clear the air.

The other combustibles which will be detected include alcohol, liquor, deodorants, colognes, perfumes, wine, adhesives, lacquer, kerosene, gasoline, glues, most of all cleaning agents and propellant of aerosol cans. Most are lighter than air in their vapor state and will only be detected when the motorhome is closed up.

Operation

Upon first application of power the LED will flash **yellow** for three minutes while the detector is stabilizing. At the end of the start cycle the LED will turn **green** indicating full operation. If detector senses unsafe levels of gas it will immediately sound an alarm. The gas detector operates on 12 Volts, with a current draw less than 1/10th of one amp.



CAUTION: This detector will not alarm during the three minute warm up cycle.

Testing

Depress the **TEST** switch any time during the warm up cycle or while in normal operation. The LED should flash **red** and the alarm should sound. Release the switch. This is the only way you should test the detector. The test feature checks full operation of the detector.



WARNING: Test the operation of this detector after the motorhome has been in storage, before each trip and at least once per week during use.

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The **red** LED will flash and the alarm will sound whenever a dangerous level of propane or methane gas is detected. The detector will continue to alarm until the gas clears or the **MUTE** switch is pressed.

Alarm

Procedures To Take During An Alarm:

- 1. Turn off all gas appliances (stove, heaters, furnace). Extinguish all flames and smoking material. Evacuate the motorhome, leaving all doors and windows open.
- 2. Turn off the propane tank valve.
- 3. Determine and repair the source of the leak. Contact a qualified service professional if additional repairs are necessary or if the source of the leak cannot be determined.



WARNING: If the alarm sounds and there is no immediate danger open all doors and windows to air out the motorhome. Exit the motorhome and turn off the gas at the LP tank. Do Not re-enter the motorhome until the alarm stops sounding. If the alarm sounds again after the gas is turned back on, turn the gas off. Leave the gas off and contact a qualified service technician to find and repair the leak. Do not re-enter the motorhome until the problem is corrected.

Alarm Mute:

Press the **TEST-MUTE** button when the detector is in alarm.

- 1. The **red** LED will continue flash and the alarm will beep every 30 seconds until the concentration of LP-Gas has dispersed to a safe level.
- 2. The LED will flash green until the end of the MUTE cycle.
- 3. If dangerous gas levels return before the end of the MUTE cycle the alarm will beep four times and return to phase 1.
- 4. After two minutes the detector will return to normal operation (**solid green**) or resound the alarm if dangerous levels of gas remain.

Fault Alarm:

Should the microprocessor sense a fault in the gas detector, a fault alarm will sound twice every 15 seconds. The LED will alternately flash **red** to **green** and the **MUTE** switch will not respond to any command. The gas detector must be repaired or replaced.

Care of the Detector

- 1. Vacuum the dust off the detector cover weekly (more frequently in dusty locations) using the soft brush attachment of the vacuum.
- 2. Do not spray cleaning agents or waxes directly onto the front panel. This action may damage the sensor, cause an alarm or cause a detector malfunction.

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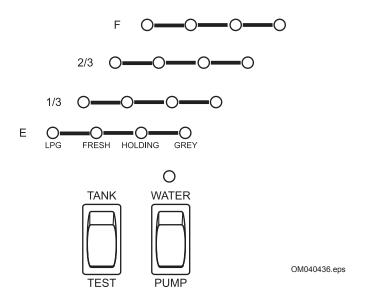
MONITOR PANEL Measurement & Calibration

Tank Measurement:

To measure level of a tank simply push button on display panel (located in hall area) corresponding to tank you wish to measure. Lights on panel will turn on in sequence indicating level of tank.

Calibration:

The monitoring panel comes factory calibrated for accuracy and should not need to be adjusted.



CHECKLIST -LP-GAS EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

If you smell gas (a rotten egg or sulfur smell) at any time, perform the following steps immediately:

- Shut off gas appliances.
- Manually turn off the main gas supply at the tank.
- Do not attempt to operate any electric switch.
- Open windows and doors.
- Evacuate the motorhome.
- Keep open flames, spark producing devices and smoking material out of the area.
- Contact a qualified service technician to find the source and repair the gas leak.



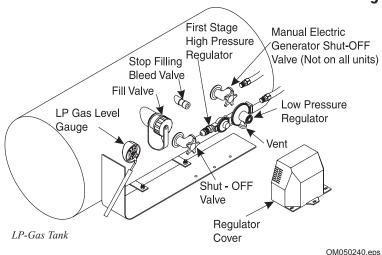
WARNING: A fire or explosion from ignited gas or gas fumes can seriously injure you or cause death.

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Woodall's Campground and Trailer Guide and other publications list refueling stations. Many travel parks sell LP-Gas. Shut off the pilot lights, appliances and igniters before filling the LP-Gas tank to prevent a fire or explosion. Have a trained service person fill the LP-Gas tank.

The LP-Gas tank fill and bleed valves are located in the LP-Gas tank access outside compartment. Caution the service technician, if the tank is new and being filled for the first time, to purge any air from the tank before filling. When the tank is filled to the proper level there is space available for the conversion of liquid into gas. If a tank is over-filled it may vent pressure. When this happens you may detect a strong rotten egg odor near the tank and/or hear a hissing noise.

LP-GAS TANK - Filling





WARNING: Turn off all pilot lights and appliances during the refueling of the motorhome and filling the LP-Gas tank to prevent a fire or explosion.

LP-Gas exists in both the liquid and vapor state with the LP-Gas tank. A "Full" tank is approximately 80% liquid. The pressure inside the tank varies with the temperature of the liquid. All tanks are required to be equipped with a pressure relief device. The purpose of the relief valve is to release gas or liquid caused by overpressurization. The gauge on the LP-Gas tank will only read 3/4 full when the tank is actually full. The monitor panel is adjusted to indicate FULL at this point.

Install an approved plug in the LP tank outlet holes to prevent leaks. Do not store or transport empty LP-Gas tanks, portable tanks, gasoline or other flammable liquids inside the motorhome. Keep open flame and spark producing materials away from the LP-Gas area. Shut off all appliances and LP-Gas tank valves (located on side of LP-Gas tank underneath the motorhome) when the motorhome is in storage. If this warning is ignored a fire or explosion could result.



CAUTION: Pressure inside LP-Gas tanks can reach over 300 psi when exposed to direct sunlight. A high pressure safety relief valve will purge excess high pressure if necessary. LP-Gas will stop vaporizing as the LP-Gas tank temperature approaches -40° F. Appliances which consume large amounts of LP-Gas, such as the water heater or furnace, will need to be operated in sequence in extremely cold environments.

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LP-Gas Fundamentals

# Capacity	Gallon Capacity	BTU Capacity		
5	1.18	107,903		
10	2.36	215,807		
11	2.59	237,387		
20	4.72	431,613		
30	7.08	647,420		
40	9.43	863,226		

CONVERSIONS

Gallons to Liters (1 Gallon = 3.785 Liters) Fahrenheit to Celsius (F° = 9/5 C° + 32°) 11" Water Column = 6 1/4 ozs. per sq. in. pressure. 27.7" Water Column = 1 pound per sq. in. pressure.

The above capacities allow for 20% vapor space on each cylinder.

Basic Facts About LP-Gas:

Pounds Per Gallon	4.24
Specific Gravity of Gas	1.50
Specific Gravity of Liquid	.504
Cubic Feet Gas Per Gallon of Liquid	36.38
Cubic Feet Gas Per Pound	8.66
BTU Per Gallon	91,502
BTU Per Pound	21,548
Dew Point in Degrees Fahrenheit	-44F°
Vapor Pressure at 0° F	31
Vapor Pressure at 70° F	127
Vapor Pressure at 100° F	196
Vapor Pressure at 110° F	230
Flash Point	842° F



NOTE: The above information is not a complete guide for the use of LP-Gas tanks or appliances. In cold climates keep fuel levels above 50% in order to keep vaporization of LP-Gas at the highest level.

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^{*}Data taken from the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA). Pamphlet #58-1998.

Operating and Monitoring LP Tank:

Operation

- Manually open the main shut-off valve located on the curbside of the LP-Gas tank.
- Turn off the manual valve on the LP-Gas tank when the motorhome is between trips.
- Hand tighten the manual valve. Do not use a wrench or pliers to close the valve.
- The manual valve is designed to be closed by hand, over-tightening may permanently damage the valve seat.

Tank Capacity - Chart

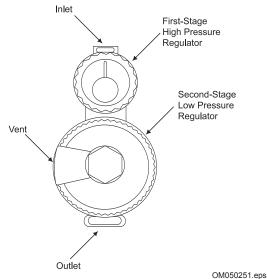
SPECIFICATION CHART						
MODEL	30PBD	32PBD	34SBD	34PBD	36WDD	36DBD
Water Heater	6 gal.					
Grey Tank	42 gal.	42/40 gal.				
Black Tank	42 gal.	42/39 gal.				
Fresh Tank	67 gal.	67 gal.	67 gal.	67 gal.	55 gal.	55 gal.
Fuel Tank	75 gal.					
LP Tank*	33 gal.					

(*Actual filled LP capacity is 80% of listing due to safety shut off required on tank.)

NOTE: This chart reflects product specifications available at the time of printing. Any floor plans introduced thereafter may not be reflected in the chart. All other information contained throughout the manual will still apply.

The regulator is the heart of an LP-Gas system. The LP-Gas in the tank is under high pressure. The regulator reduces the pressure of gas so that it is safe to use with various appliances. The regulator on the motorhome is a two-stage regulator. Simply put, the first stage regulator reduces the full tank pressure down to a range of 10-13 psi. The second stage further reduces the pressure down to an outlet pressure of 0.4 psi (11 inches of column water). The regulator is equipped with a vent so that it can breathe. This means that if pressure in the LP tank is too high the regulator will allow gas to escape through the vent until pressure returns to a normal range. It is important to keep the vent clean and clear of obstructions or corrosion. If the vent becomes clogged pressure from LP tank could cause a failure of the components. If there is any corrosion contact a qualified LP-Gas service technician. The regulator is mounted so that the vent faces

LP-GAS REGULATOR



LP-Gas Regulator

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downward. If the vent becomes clogged clean it with a toothbrush.

Under normal atmospheric conditions a LP regulator will not freeze, nor will the LP-Gas. The gas passing through the regulator will expand and cool creating moisture in the gas. This moisture will turn to ice which can build up and partially or totally block the orifice. The possibilities of freeze up is greatly reduced with the two stage regulator.

To prevent freeze up:

- 1. Ensure the LP tank is totally free of moisture prior to filling.
- **2.** Ensure the tank is not overfilled.
- **3.** Keep the valve closed when the tank is empty.
- **4.** If a freeze up occurs, have an LP-Gas distributor purge the tank.
- **5.** Have the LP-Gas distributor inject methyl alcohol in the tank.



WARNING: Do not attempt to adjust the regulator, it is preset at the factory. If adjustments need to be made it requires special equipment. Failure to follow these instructions may result in a fire or explosion and cause severe personal injury or death. Do not attempt to enter the motorhome until the problem has been corrected!

LP-GAS CONSUMPTION

Each gallon of LP-Gas produces 91,502 BTU's of heat. One 27 gallon tank produces two million BTU's. Total consumption depends on the rate of usage by each appliance and the operating time. The stove and heating systems typically use the most gas. With sub-freezing temperatures and high winds consumption by the furnace can be very high. Check the tank level often in cold weather.



WARNING: LP-Gas is highly volatile and extremely explosive. Never use matches or open flame to test for leaks. Use only approved LP-Gas leak testing solution to test for leaks. Unapproved solutions can damage copper tubing and brass fittings. Never attempt to adjust LP-Gas regulators without the use of proper equipment. Improper LP-Gas regulator adjustment will affect the performance of LP-Gas operated appliances. Incorrect flame or explosion can occur. Only qualified personnel should perform any maintenance or repair to the LP-Gas system.

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A primary manifold black steel pipe running throughout the motorhome distributes LP-Gas to secondary lines. All secondary lines leading to gas appliances are made of copper tubing with flared fittings. If any lines rupture do not attempt to splice them. Always run a new line. We recommend gas distribution work be performed by an authorized dealer or an authorized service technician. When removing or servicing any gas appliance manually close the main valve located on the side of the LP-Gas tank. This will prevent dangerous gas leakage that could result in an explosion and possible serious injury. If you suspect a gas leak get the system inspected and repaired by a qualified service technician as soon as possible.



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The standard electrical system of the motorhome consist of 120 Volt AC and 12 Volts DC (direct current) systems. The motorhome 120 Volt AC system can be operated from two different power sources. Shore power is the most efficient and should be used whenever possible. The on-board generator has a limited amount of 120 Volts AC output power. This can be used when shore power is unavailable.

AC SYSTEM - 120/240 VOLT

The motorhome 120 Volt AC is equipped with a UL listed power cord, a UL listed circuit breaker panel, transfer switch, convertor and generator package. Additionally a 50 amp upgrade, generator upgrade package and energy management package can be installed.

Input power to the motorhome is supplied from two different sources: shore power cord or the on board generator. The selection of the power source being used is done automatically by the use of an automatic electrical switching device known as a transfer switch.

The power converter is designed to provide a filtered 12 Volt DC power to the lighting and appliance circuits. It will also recharge and maintain the unit's battery. The power converter is virtually maintenance free. There are some tests which can be performed to ensure the power converter is functioning properly.

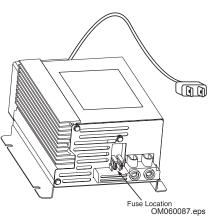
CONVERTER -55 AMP (Not on Units with Inverter)

- The output on terminals should read 13.6 Volts DC +/- .3 Volts.
- Inspect the fuses to ensure they are not blown.
- The power requirement for the converter is 120 Volts AC.

If the converter output is correct but the battery is not charging there may be a problem with an open wire between the converter and battery.

If the fuses are blown the battery was connected in reverse. It only takes one second of reverse connection to blow the fuse.

If the power requirement for the converter is met, the fuses are good, and there is no output from the converter, the converter is bad and will need to be replaced.



Shore Power

The AC system power requirement for the motorhome is 120/240 Volt AC single phase. This can be either 20 amp, 30 amp or 50 amp service. Ensure the power distribution panel is configured to handle the load. If shore power service is available connect the motorhome to the shore power source using the supplied shore power cord. The shore power cord plugs into the shore power source and can be "dog boned" to the smaller receptacles. The motorhome shore power cord is located on the road side of the motorhome and is permanently attached.



NOTE: In many instances 50 amp shore service is not available and care will have to be used when operating the appliances and using the outlets so as not to overload the shore power service being used.

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Generator

The generator can be selected for use when AC shore power is not available. The motorhome's on-board generator has limited 120 Volt AC power output capabilities. The generator's maximum amount of output power is specified in watts, which is calculated at an elevation of 500 feet above sea level. The figure will decrease with a higher altitude. Temperature also affects total maximum output. Fuel consumption is based upon a percentage of AC electrical load applied to the generator. While using the generator care will have to be taken when operating appliances and outlets so as not to overload the generator. The generator is fueled from the main fuel tank.

DC 12-VOLT SYSTEM

A majority of the lighting and appliances are designed to operate from 12 Volt DC (direct current) power. This is why the batteries play such an important role in the function of the motorhome. There are exceptions with appliances such as the microwave or television. The chassis functions (engine, transmission, dash air, etc.) are also 12 Volt DC.

With the all technological advancements taking place in the past several years, manufacturers have now incorporated electronics into these systems. It is important to keep the 12 Volt system(s) in good working order. These systems, with their incorporated electronics, are voltage sensitive. Some items can be damaged if the DC voltage is not maintained within the designed specifications.

There are two separate 12 Volt systems. One is the chassis system, the other is the house system. These two systems, for the most part, are separate from one another. The house system does not operate engine functions, as the engine system does not operate house functions; however, within the two systems there are some inner connections. For example: While the motorhome is driven the alternator on the engine will charge the house batteries. Likewise, while the motorhome is plugged into shore power or the generator is running the engine battery(s) are being charged. Each system will supply 12 Volt DC power to the 12 Volt distribution panels. The 12 Volt panel that services a majority of the chassis system functions is located outside on the front firewall. Another panel is located inside under the dash in the driver's area. The 12 Volt panel for the house is located in the roadside storage compartment. The panel located in the bedroom services the house interior functions, such as the interior lighting and appliances. You should become familiar with these panels and the items they operate.

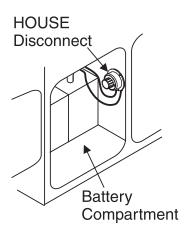
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The two different systems, engine and house, have their own set(s) of battery(s). The engine battery supplies 12 Volt DC power to the chassis distribution panels. The panels contain mostly engine system fuses and wiring, such as headlights, taillights, dashboard functions, gauges, etc. The house battery(s) supplies 12 Volt DC power to the house distribution panels. The panels contain fuses for the house, interior lighting and appliances such as the furnace and the water heater.

Each panel electrical circuits may be protected by fuses, fusible link cartridges, circuit breakers or a combination of these devices.

The main house battery disconnect switch turns the battery power supply on or off. The domestic battery disconnect switch shuts off the 12 Volt DC power to the following items: domestic fuse panel in the bedroom, domestic fuse panel in the front run box and the domestic power supply in the rear run box(s). Turn the main battery disconnect switch off when the motorhome is going to be stored or before performing electrical maintenance on the motorhome. If possible, leave the motorhome plugged into an AC source with the battery disconnect switch on. This will help prevent the possibility of dead batteries. Use of the battery cut-off switch at the entry door will not turn off all DC electrical items or other parasitic loads. Small (parasitic) loads are present on the house battery. Some are federal mandated items such as the LP-Gas detector.

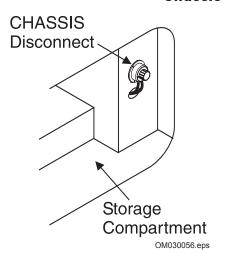
BATTERY DISCONNECT House



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The main battery disconnect for the chassis battery turns the DC power on or off to the chassis fuse boxes. Most chassis and engine functions are interrupted when the battery disconnect is turned off. Some electronic items require a constant power source for memory retention such as the dash and CB radios. Some electronic components of the engine and transmission require a constant power source. Turn the main battery disconnect switch off when the motorhome is going to be stored or performing electrical maintenance. If possible, leave the motorhome plugged into an AC source with the battery disconnect switch on to help prevent the possibility of dead batteries.

Chassis



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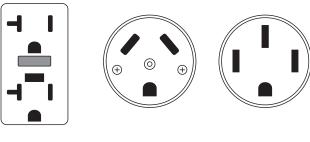
NOTE: If an AC source is not available and the motorhome is not going to be used or is stored more than 48 hours it is recommended to turn the battery disconnect switch off.

SHORE POWER HOOK-UP

If shore power service is available all that is necessary is to connect the motorhome to the shore power service using the supplied shore power cord. The cord is located in the compartment on the driver's side of the motorhome. After connecting the unit to shore power wait approximately one minute for the converter to "stabilize" charging of the batteries before starting air conditioners or other large AC loads. In many instances 50 amp shore service is not available. Proper electrical adapters must be used to connect the supplied shore power cord to the shore service available. When connecting to anything other than 50 amp shore service use caution not to overload the supplied shore service breaker. Appliances and outlet loads will have to be operated in sequence, rather than all at the same time.



NOTE: Below are the three types of shore power outlets most commonly used.



20 AMP Outlet 30 AMP Outlet 50 AMP Outlet

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Depending on the motorhome AC Distribution panel configuration there may be 20 amps, 30 amps or 50 amps with the energy management system.



CAUTION: Avoid the risk of electrical shock or component damage by disconnecting from shore power during electrical storm activity. Start the generator if AC power is needed.

Transfer Switch

The transfer switch automatically transfers power from the shore cord, through the transfer switch and to the 110 Volt AC breaker panel. When the generator is used the transfer switch has a time delay built into it. This allows the generator time to warm up before an AC load is applied to it. The transfer switch will automatically select the generator over shore power, even though shore power is hooked up.

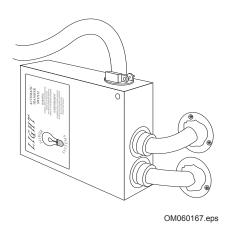
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NOTE: To prevent damage to the transfer switch do not have appliances on or AC loads plugged into outlets when hooking up to shore power or starting generator. The transfer switch will begin to disengage between 85-90 Volts AC. Operation at this voltage may damage transfer switch, appliances or other items plugged into outlets.



WARNING: Keep fingers away from metal contacts of shore plug end. Avoid standing water. Serious electrical shock and personal injury can occur. To avoid the risk of an electrical shock turn the circuit breaker off for the shore power outlet before making shore power connection.



The 120 Volt AC gasoline generator is located in a service compartment on the roadside of the motorhome. The generator may stop running before the chassis fuel tank is completely empty. This is a safety feature to prevent the motor - home from running completely out of fuel.

GENERATOR - 120 AC

Starting the Generator:

The generator is controlled by either a remote switch on the dash or a switch located on the generator. To start the generator shut off all 120 Volts AC appliances and equipment. Push the start switch and hold until the generator is running, then release the switch. The dash switch is lit when the generator is running. Normally the generator will start running within five seconds. If it fails to start after cranking for 10 seconds release the switch and wait 30 seconds before cranking again. If the generator fails to start after five attempts allow the starter motor to cool down for five minutes before cranking again.

Stopping the Generator:

Turn off all 120 Volt AC appliances and equipment and run the generator for at least three minutes before turning it off. This allows lubricating oil to carry heat away from the combustion chamber and the bearings. To stop the generator push the switch to the stop position for approximately one second and then release it.

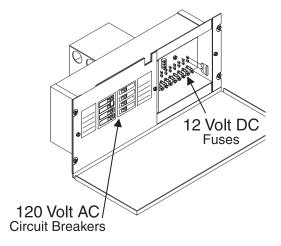


For in-depth information regarding low oil shut-down protection, circuit breaker locations and maintenance procedures, refer to the manufacturer's brochure in the Owner's information file.

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30 AMP FUSES & CIRCUITS Distribution Panel -Inside

The 12 Volt house contains fuses (located in the bedroom cabinet) that protect the electrical circuits. These fuses are the standard automotive type. When a fuse is "blown," the wire in middle of the plastic case will be burnt. A broken, bad or "blown" fuse must be replaced with a fuse of the same rating and type. Use of a fuse with a different rating or type will defeat the circuit protection provided by that fuse and could result in damage to the motorhome's electrical system.



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Fuse assignments are as follows:

- 1. Bath Lights/Vents 15 Amp Fuse
- 2. Dinette/Porch/Rt. Overhead 15 Amp Fuse
- 3. Bedroom/ODS Lights 15 Amp Fuse
- 4. Kitchen/Left Overhead, Stove Vent (Opt Vent 15 Amp Fuse)
- 5. Ceiling Lights 15 Amp Fuse
- 6. Furnace 15 Amp Fuse
- 7. Monitor Panel 15 Amp Fuse
- 8. Slide-out 15 Amp Fuse
- 9. Radio 5 Amp Fuse

Circuit Breaker assignments are as follows:

Left Side

- 50 AMP MAIN
- Front Air Conditioner
- Rear Air Conditioner

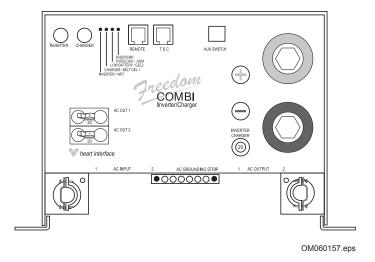
Right Side

- Converter, Bedroom TV, Dining Room
- Bathroom, Kitchen, Refrigerator, TV, VCR
- Water Heater
- Microwave

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Use the inverter when shore power is not available and the generator is not going to be used as the secondary AC power source option. This will supply silent AC power to most receptacles, the television and microwave. It is important to remember that use of the inverter will greatly increase house battery power consumption. Turn off the inverter when not in use to conserve house battery power. One circuit breaker is used to protect the microwave and the other one protects the refrigerator and bathroom (GFI).







NOTE: The switch on the inverter unit is to remain in the ON position.

To turn inverter on:

- At the inverter turn ON the inverter/converter power switch. The INVERT push-button switch is located on the front of the unit and has two functions:
- Turn the inverter ON.OFF and reset after a fault condition. Pressing the INVERT switch turns the inverter ON. The green INVERT LED will be ON when the inverter is inverting. When the inverter is ON, pressing the INVERT switch turns the inverter off.
- At the remote control panel in the hall area, press the INVERT switch on the remote panel.

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	TROUBLESHOOTING LED STATUS				
LED Status					
INVERT	CHARGE	LOW BATTERY	OVERTEMP OVERLOAD	Operation Status	Notes
Solid Green	Blinking Green	OFF	OFF	Inverting. Charger ready but no external AC available.	Normal.
Blinking Green	Solid Green	OFF	OFF	Inverter is in standby. Battery is being charged.	Normal, charging current limited if AC load exceeds Power Sharing setting.
Blinking Green	OFF	OFF	OFF	Converter is in standby. Charger manually turned off.	If AC power is removed and reapplied, the charger will automatically turn ON
OFF	Solid Green	OFF	OFF	Inverter OFF. Charging	Reset the Inverter by pushing INVERT button. LED should blink.
Solid Green	Blinking Green	Solid Red	*	Inverting. Charger ready but no external AC Available. Battery Voltage Warning: 10V <vdc>15V</vdc>	Warning. Battery voltage less than 10 or more than 15 volts.
Solid Green	Blinking Green	*	Solid Red	Inverting. Charger ready but no external AC available. Over-temperature Warning.	Warning. Inverter shutdown.
OFF	Blinking Green	Slow Blinking Red	*	Battery Voltage shutdown: 10V <vdc>15V</vdc>	Inverter Shutdown. Operation will resume when battery reaches 13.5 volts.
OFF	Blinking Green	*	Slow Blinking Red	Charger ready but no external AC power available. Charger over-temperature Shutdown	Operation will automatically resume after unit has cooled down.
OFF	Blinking Green	*	Fast Blinking Red	Inverter Overload Shutdown	Reduce AC load. Manually restart the system.
OFF	Blinking Green	Fast Blinking Red	Fast Blinking Red	Backfeed Shutdown. Incorrect AC wiring.	Correct AC in wiring before use. Manually restart the system.
OFF	Blinking Green	Fast Blinking Red	OFF	Battery Ripple	Warning.

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When power is first applied to the remote, there is a delay of up to 4 seconds, while the remote and the Inverter/Charger establish communications.

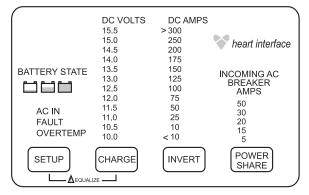
Remote Control

The Remote shows AC In (status) DC VOLTS, DC AMPS (charger or inverter current), and INCOMING AC BREAKER AMPS setting plus CHARGE, INVERT and BATTERY STATE. The display is updated once per second.

The remote comes ON automatically when Inverter/Charger is connected to a charged battery or external AC power. The following buttons are used:

SETUP: Blinking indicates SETUP mode. SETUP explained "SET UP MODE".

CHARGE: When the CHARGE LED is On (Solid Green), the Battery Charger is ON and charging. When the LED is OFF, the charger is OFF. Charging automatically begins when external AC power is detected.



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OPERATING TIP: Leaving the charger ON helps to assure a full battery.

INVERT: When the INVERT LED is On (solid green), the Freedom Inverter is inverting (making AC power from the DC battery source). When the INVERT LED is OFF, the inverter is OFF. When external AC power is present (AC IN LED ON) and the INVERT LED is blinking green, the inverter is in standby, waiting for external AC power to be removed to begin inverting. When there is no external AC power, a blinking green LED indicates the inverter is in the Idle Mode. Idle mode is explained in detail in the "SETUP MODE".

OPERATING TIP: To avoid the risk of discharging your batteries if external power fails, leave the inverter OFF when leaving motorhome unattended.

POWER SHARE: Before you plug in to an external AC source, note the breaker size. Press POWER SHARE until the appropriate plug into a 30 Ampere external AC power source, press POWER SHARE until the 30 Amp "INCOMING AC BREAKER" LED is ON.

OPERATING TIP: If the breaker trips, reduce this setting. Setting the POWER SHARE feature to a lower setting may limit charger output causing the batteries to require more time to become fully charged.

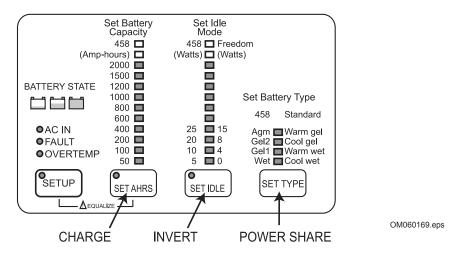
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POWER SHARE - Limits the amount of external AC current used by the charger. If the total AC load is larger than AC power available, the external AC circuit breakers may trip. Select a lower POWER SHARE setting to reduce AC power consumption by the charger, thus reducing the total AC load.

Set Up Mode

Enter the **SETUP** mode by pressing and holding **SETUP** for 5 seconds until the **LED** blinks. The Remote automatically exits from the **SETUP** mode. Use Remote buttons, **SET AHRS**, **SET IDLE** or **SET TYPE**, to select **SETUP** features.

OPERATING TIP: Battery type and battery capacity are the most critical setup settings.



SET AHRS (Battery Capacity (Amp-Hours) - Using **CHARGE**, set the Amp-Hour rating of the battery bank. This information is used to determine the charge parameters for the battery. Default setting varies:

1500-2000W: 400 Amp-Hours

SET IDLE (Idle Load (Watts) - Using **INVERT**, select idle setting. If present inverter loads are less than the selected value, the inverter will remain in **IDLE MODE**. Idle mode prevents unnecessary power drain on the battery when no AC loads are in use. When an AC load is turned ON and the load draw exceeds the idle value, the unit begins full power inverting. When the appliance is turned OFF, the inverter returns automatically to **IDLE MODE**. A setting of "0" disables **IDLE MODE**.

Default: 10 Watts.

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SET TYPE (Battery Type) - This setting is important. Using POWER SHARE, set the Battery Type. The charger uses this information to set charging values for the 3 stage automatic charger. Be sure to set the correct type. Default: Wet Cell.

When no external AC power is available, the remote panel LED's can be

turned OFF to conserve battery power. Turning off the INVERT function (with external AC absent) activates the low power mode.

In this mode, if one of the front panel keys is pressed, the display will become active. Press **SETUP**, **CHARGE**, or **POWER SHARE** and the unit will display data for a short period of time, then return to the Low Power Mode. If **INVERT** is pressed, the selected function is activated and Low Power Mode is cancelled.

Low Power Mode

The Remote has a special charging mode that improves the condition of batteries. Equalizing helps maintain battery capacity and extends life by deliberately overcharging batteries for a short period of time. Do not equalize gel cell batteries.

Equalizing Charge Mode

OPERATING TIP: How often should batteries be equalized? It is recommended that after 30 deep cycles or once a year the batteries should be equalized. Check with the battery manufacturer for specific battery requirements.

Equalizing Procedure

EQUALIZE mode must be started manually. To begin equalizing, enter **SETUP** mode, then hold both **SETUP** and **CHARGE** until the **BATTERY STATE LEDs** start blinking.

Equalizing should only be engaged after the batteries have been fully

charged by the normal battery charging cycle. The equalizing charge cycle lasts approximately 8 hours. The equalize charge cycle can be terminated at any time by interrupting the external AC power to the charger or by pressing the CHARGE. The unit will return to normal display and operation after the completion of the equalize cycle.

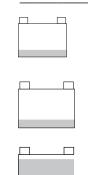


CAUTION: Equalizing may cause DC system voltage to exceed 16 volts. Be sure to disconnect any equipment not rated for this voltage. Equalizing causes the battery to release hydrogen from your battery and may reach explosive concentrations in a closed environment. Make sure the battery area is well ventilated. Do not smoke or operate spark causing devices in the vicinity of batteries being equalized.

The **BATTERY STATE LED's** indicate the approximate state of the battery bank. It is based on the battery voltage sampled over a period of time under the present load conditions. The battery state does not represent the actual Amp-hour capacity remaining in the battery.

Battery State LED's

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Lowest State: Voltage is low. Charging is recommended. In charge mode, indicates charge.

Middle State: Battery is in normal range. In charge mode, indicates acceptance.

Highest State: Battery voltage is at its highest and the battery is charged. In charge mode, indicates float.



NOTE: Depending on battery size and condition, loads connected to the battery may affect the battery voltage and the BATTERY STATE display. In charge mode BATTERY STATE LEDs also indicate charger states.

The FAULT LED indicates a possible error has been detected and the Inverter/Charger has shut down to protect itself and the electrical system. The source of the error must be corrected before restarting the inverter or charger functions. However, an OVERTEMP error will reset automatically, and operation will resume, when the unit has cooled sufficiently.

LED Indication	Fault LED	Error Detected	Possible Solution
OVERTEMP On	OFF	Over temperature shutdown.	Increase air circulation and allow to cool.
BATTERY STATE Empty Blinking	ON	Low Battery Shutdown. (too low to continue inverting)	Charge Batteries.
Battery STATE Empty On	ON	Battery Overload. (excessive ripple voltage during charge)	Select lowest power share setting. Turn OFF DC loads - Restart Charger.
15.5 VDC Blinking (31.0 VDC in 24V System	ON	High battery shutdown.	Check other charging sources connected to the battery.
AC IN blinking	ON	AC Backfeed. (external AC power detected at inverter output)	Disconnect incoming AC power and correct wiring.
INVERT blinking	ON	Inverter overload (too much AC load on inverter)	Reduce AC load on inverter. Reset by pressing INVERT OFF and On.
CHARGE blinking	ON	Charge overload. (Battery voltage too low to charge)	Check batteries. Turn OFF all DC loads. Restart charger.



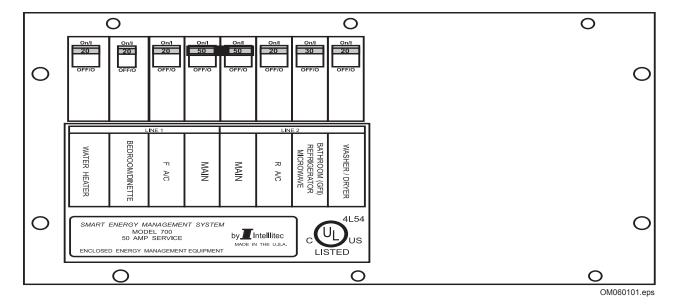
NOTE: For error conditions not shown above, disconnect Remote Control Panel for 30 seconds, verify that phone cable is plugged in at remote and inverter/charger and verify that batteries are above 10VDC. If condition persists, disconnect incoming AC power from Inverter Charger and remove positive battery lead for 30 seconds.

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The AC distribution panel is located in the bedroom. The main AC panel 120 Volt circuit breakers receive power from the transfer switch, which is powered by either shore power or the on board generator.

Hower is introduced into the panel to the 50 Amp MAIN breaker first, followed by power being fed into the individual branch circuit breakers. The panel label describes the breaker layout and the item, outlet or appliance to which they pertain. Labels vary from model to model.

50 AMP DISTRIBUTION PANEL (OPTIONAL) HOUSE 110 AC PANEL





WARNING: This panel contains high voltage which can cause serious injury or death. Before beginning any work or testing procedures involving the electric panels, or any of the branch circuits, be sure the motorhome is unplugged from shore power and the generator is not running. Certain testing procedures can require the AC power to be on. Only qualified personnel with electrical backgrounds should attempt any testing procedures.

Branch circuit breakers supply AC power to the different items or "loads." An electrical load is any item or device that will use current when supplied with an electromotive force. Should a breaker "trip" from over current use, or a short circuit condition, the load to which the breaker is supplying the electromotive force should be reviewed or disconnected to determine the cause of the trip. If no cause is found, or not readily apparent, reset the breaker by toggling the breaker to the OFF position, then back to ON. Should the breaker trip again after the load is reapplied it may indicate a fault with that particular load. Do not continue to reset breaker until the problem has been diagnosed and corrected.

Breaker current ratings are current set points in which the breaker is designed to operate. The internal configuration of the circuit breaker is designed to trip when excess current is drawn through the breaker. The trip

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action of the circuit breaker can occur within milliseconds due to the speed at which electricity can travel. Breaker ratings are set to operate on a continuous load at 80% of the breaker's rated capacity. For example: A breaker with a 20 amp rating will handle a continuous load of 16 amps. This designed set point is when an inductive load is applied, such as when an electric motor turns on. As the motor starts to spin, current consumption may momentarily exceed the rated capacity of the breaker. As the electric motor comes up to operating speed the electric motor's current consumption will fall. The AC current load then falls back into the breaker's rated 80% set point. This electric principle should be kept in mind when using anything other than 50 amp shore service and using appliances with electric motors. When using outlets care should be considered when applying loads such as electric motors, heaters, coffee makers, toasters, hair dryer or other large current consuming loads. If the current rating of a load is not known it is usually stated on most electrical items. The rating will either be in amps or watts. Current ratings stated on electrical items will change slightly with voltage fluctuations. As voltage increases current consumption decreases. As voltage decreases current consumption increases. This may explain why in some instances items operated at borderline voltage to current tolerances may seem fine in one location but problematic in another.



NOTE: To calculate watts to amps simply divide the watt figure by the voltage of which the item operates from. For example: The electrical item is rated at 1,370 watts. Divide that by the operating voltage of 115 volts which equals 11.913 amps. Use this formula to calculate load to current supply ratio.

ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM 50-AMP (OPTIONAL)

The Energy Management System is easily identified by the remote display panel located inside motorhome.

The 50 Amp Smart EMS consists of two elements: the display panel and the bedroom distribution panel. The distribution panel, located in the bedroom, is a completely self-contained 120/240 Volt power distribution and energy management system intended to be used in recreational vehicles. It is housed in a sheet metal enclosure with removable front panel. It provides circuit protection for all the 120 Volt AC loads in the motorhome and a system of energy management to minimize the over-loading and tripping of circuit breakers.

Circuit Breakers: The distribution panel offers slots for eight single or dual, standard 120 Volt circuit breakers. Two of these breakers, located in the two center stab positions, must be a 50 Amp unit that act as a main input protection for each of the lines supplying the remainder of the branch breakers (up to 12).

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Energy Management: The 50 Amp Smart EMS automatically senses the available power to the motorhome. It determines whether it is connected to a 120 Volt AC - 30 Amp shore power source, 50 Amp shore power source or generator source. Depending upon available power, it controls the operation of 6 possible loads as indicated on distribution panel. These may be any type load, but are typically heavier loads; those whose use can be "postponed until a time when current is available for their use. If the available power source is 120 Volt AC - 30 Amp shore power, it attempts to keep the total 120 Volt current draw to less than 30 Amps.

Operation: If 120 Volt AC is not available at the distribution panel, L1 or L2 outputs, the system shuts itself off. This feature is intended to prevent the system from drawing current from the +12 Volt DC battery supply when not in operation.

When 120 Volt AC power is applied, the system automatically powers up and determines the nature of the power source.

If the generator is running, 120 Volt AC will be present at the distribution panel L1 and L2 inputs. In this mode the energy management feature is disabled and all control relay contacts are closed, energizing all of the controlled loads. The control module sends a signal to the display panel causing the load meter to display actual load current, the GEN SET service indicator to light and all power status indicators to light.

If 120 Volt AC is present at the distribution panel L1 and L2 inputs the system will assume that 120 Volt AC, 30 Amp shore power is available and the energy management feature will be enabled. If only 20 Amp service is available the user must select the 20 AMP service mode by momentarily pressing the 20/30 Amp select switch on the Control Panel. Initially, all relay contacts are closed and the total current is monitored. If the total current should exceed the service limit the system will turn off the first load in the shedding table. As it turns the loads off it calculates the amount of current that was removed, which is the value for that load. This value is placed in memory. If the current remains above the service limit, the system will turn off the next load in shedding table. Again, it calculates the amount of current that was removed and places this value, which is the value of that load, in memory. The system continues to turn off loads until the total current falls below the service limit or all of the six controlled loads have been shed. Through this process the system has "learned" the amount of current that each particular load draws. This feature compensates for the differences in current draw over a range of line voltage and ambient temperature, by re-learning the load each time it is turned off or "shed."

The 50 Amp Smart EMS now waits until the total current is lower than the service limit and enough current is available (as compared with the amount in memory for the last load shed) before it will turn that load back on. This assures that there is sufficient current to operate the load.

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NOTE: There is a two minute minimum delay period after a load is shed before the load will be turned on again to prevent air conditioners from turning on with a head pressure.

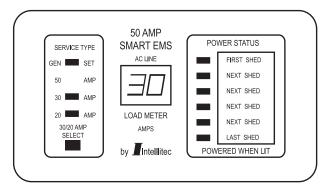
Three Hour Averaging: The RVIA (Recreational Vehicle Industry Association) in conjunction with the NEC (National Electrical Council) have established rules regarding the rating of electrical systems and the use of energy management systems. One of these rules requires that, if any energy management system is used, the average total load current for the system over a 3 hour period be limited to 80% of the service rating. For that reason the 50 Amp EMS calculates the average running current for the system and, if it exceeds 80% of the service rating, the EMS sheds loads to reduce the average current below that limit.

For example, if a system operating under 120 Volt AC, 30 Amp service has been running at the 30 Amp limit for three hours, the EMS will change its shedding threshold to 24 Amps and turn off loads until the 24 Amp limit is attained. If the user selects the 20 Amp service mode this limit will translate to 16 Amps. Because the EMS calculates a running 3 hour average, if the average load current drops below the limit the system will restore power to loads based on their impact on the limit. If the system is in the averaging mode the decimal point at the lower right corner of the load meter display on the display panel will illuminate.

Display Panel: The display panel connects to the distribution panel located in the bedroom. Six power status LED's indicate power is applied to those loads. These LED's are on when the power is applied. The load meter has a two digit display to indicate the amount of current actually being drawn by all the appliances in the motorhome.

Four service type LED's indicate the source for 120/240 Volt AC power. Three of these sources are automatically detected and indicated by the EMS, namely: Gen Set Service, 50 Amp Service and 30 Amp Service.

The 20 Amp service mode is not automatically detected and the operator must manually select the 20 Amp mode when 20 Amp service is available. The service select button allows the current threshold to be set to either 30 Amps or 20 Amps, to match the incoming service.



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PANEL (OPTIONAL) HOUSE 12 VO

The 12 Volt house contains fuses (located in the bedroom overhead **50 AMP DISTRIBUTION** cabinet) that protect the electrical circuits. These fuses are the standard automotive type. When a fuse is "blown," the wire in middle of the plastic case will be burnt. A broken, bad or "blown" fuse must be replaced with a fuse of the same rating and type. Use of a fuse with a different rating or type will defeat the circuit protection provided by that fuse and could result in damage to the motorhome's electrical system.

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#COLOR-AMP	
1 - BLUE - 15	
2 - YELLOW - 15	
3 - GREEN - 15	
4 - VIOLET - 15	
5 - RED - 15	
6 - ORANGE - 15	
13 - GRAY - 15	
14 - RED - 15	
15 - BLACK - 15	
16 - GRAY - 5	
17 - RED - 15	
18 - BROWN - 15	
19 - GREEN - 15	
20 - RED - 15	
21 - VIOLET/BLACK - 15	5

CIRCUIT **BATH LTS** LIVING ROOM **BEDROOM LTS VENTS KITCHEN** POWER AWNING **FURNACE** MONITOR PANEL SLIDE-OUT **RADIO** COMP TABLE (OPT) PWR TOILET (OPT) BED RM S/O (OPT) TRIPLE S/O (OPT) EXT RADIO (OPT)

The distribution panel (12 Volt DC) is located inside the front roadside compartment. Fuse assignments are listed on a fuse label attached to the inside cover of the front distribution panel. When replacing fuses always replace with the same size as listed for a particular location. Fuse sizes shown are maximum fuse size allowable. Installing fuse sizes other than those listed can cause electrical wiring to become overloaded and create hazardous situations.

12 Volt Distribution Panel - Outside

Fuse assignments are as followed:

- 1. Slide-out Room 15 Amp circuit breaker
- 2. LP Detector/CO Detector 3 amp Fuse
- 3. Power Seat (Opt) 15 Amp circuit breaker
- 4. Power Seat (Opt) 15 Amp circuit breaker
- 5. Storage Lights 15 Amp Fuse
- 6. Bedroom Slide-out 15 Amp circuit breaker
- 7. Auxiliary Start/TV Amp 7.5 Amp Fuse
- 8. Cigarette Lighter 15 Amp Fuse
- 9. Map Lights 7.5 Amp Fuse
- 10. C.B. Radio 2 Amp Fuse
- 11. Service Light 7.5 Amp Fuse
- 12. 12V Receptacle 15 Amp Fuse
- 13. Step Switch 7.5 Amp Fuse
- 14. Step Motor 25 Amp Fuse

- 20. Rear Vision (Opt) 5 Amp Fuse
- 21. Leveling Jacks (Opt) 5 Amp Fuse
- 22. Accessory Switch 15 Amp Fuse
- 25. Air Conditioner 20 Amp Fuse
- 26. Jack/Antenna Warning Lamp 5 Amp Fuse
- 27. TV Cutout Relay 7.5 Amp Fuse
- 28. Galley Slide-Out Room Ign. Relay -7.5 Amp Fuse
- 29. Mirror Heaters 15 Amp Fuse
- 30. Mirror Motors 1 Amp Fuse
- 33. Step/Isolator Relay 7.5 Amp Fuse
- 34. Marker Lights 7.5 Amp Fuse



NOTE: Number's 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 31, 32 are reserved for future use.

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FORD CHASSIS 12 VOLT DISTRIBUTION PANEL -FRONT

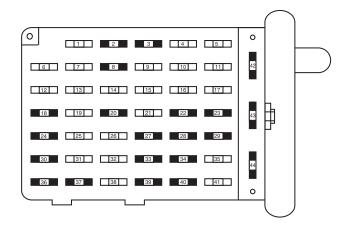
The chassis fuse boxes are placed in two locations. One panel is located inside the motorhome under the dash panel. The box located under the dash is referred to as the **Central Junction Box**.

The other panel is located outside, mounted on the front firewall. This box is referred to as the **Power Distribution** or the **Battery Junction Box.**

Central Junction Box:

Fuse		.
Position	AMPS	Circuits Protected
		Right Turn Signal Relay Coil, Left Turn
		Signal Relay Coil, Right Turn Indicator,
		Body Builder Right Rear Turn/Stop Feed,
1	20	Body Builder Turn/Stop Feed.
2		NOT USED
3		NOT USED
4	15	Interior Lamp Relay
5	10	Accessory Feed #1
6	10	Trailer LH Turn/Stop Lamp
7	15	Blower Motor Relay
8		NOT USED
		Trailer Tow Electrical Brake Controller
		Feed, Body Builder Right Rear Turn/Stop
		Feed, Body Builder Left Rear Turn Stop
9	20	Feed, Body Builder Stoplamp Feed
10	5	Instrument Cluster, Hydromax Lamp
		Windshield Wiper/Washer Module, Wiper
11	30	Feed
12	10	Trailer Tow Right Stop/Turn Feed
13	10	4 WABS Module
		Instrument Cluster, Hydro-Max Monitor,
		Warning Chime Module, Transmission
14	10	Control Switch
15	15	LH Turn Relay
16	20	Body Builder Battery Feed
17	5	Body Builder Radio Feed
18		NOT USED
19	5	DRL On-Off Relay
20		NOT USED
21	15	RH Turn Relay

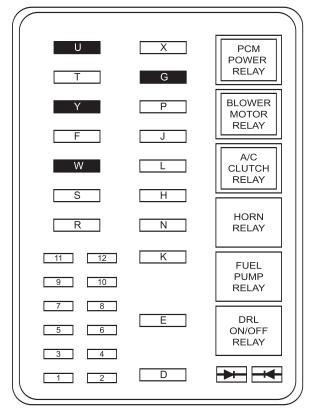
Fuse		
Position	AMPS	Circuits Protected
22		NOT USED
23		NOT USED
24		NOT USED
25	10	Body Builder Right Headlamp (Low Beam)
26	10	Shift Lock Acutator, Speed Control Servo
27	10	NOT USED
28		NOT USED
29		NOT USED
30		NOT USED
31	10	Body Builder Left Headlamp (Low Beam)
		Digital Transmission Range (DTR) Sensor
32	10	(Reversing Lamp Feed)
33		NOT USED
34		NOT USED
35	20	Headlamp High Beam, High Beam Indicator
36		NOT USED
37		NOT USED
38	10	Body Builder Accessory Feed #2 (Run)
39		NOT USED
40		NOT USED
		Headlamp Switch, Dimmable Light, Body
		Builder Feed, Instrument Cluster
41	10	Illumination
42		NOT USED
43		NOT USED
44		NOT USED



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Battery Junction Box:



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HIGH CURRENT FUSE VALUE AMPS	COLOR CODE
20A PLUG-IN 30A PLUG-IN 40A PLUG-IN 50A PLUG-IN	YELLOW GREEN ORANGE RED
60A PLUG-IN	BLUE

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Fuse Position	AMPS	Circuits Protected
1	5 (Mini)	Hydro-Max Module
2	10 (Mini)	A/C Clutch Relay
3	20 (Mini)	PCM OBD2 Functions
4	5 (Mini)	Powertrain Control Module (PCM)
5	15 (Mini)	PCM Power, MAF Sensor, Fuel Injectors, Fuel Pump Relay Coil, A/C Clutch Relay Coil
6	20 (Mini)	Park Lamp Feeds, Warning Chime
7	15 (Mini)	Digital Transmission Range Sensor (DTRS), Starter Relay Coil
8	10 (Mini)	Brake Pressure Switch, Hydro-max Module, Speed Control Servo, Powertrain Control Module (PCM), ABS Module, Brake Shift Interlock Actuator
9	5 (Mini)	Charge Warning Indicator
10	20 (Mini)	Daytime Running Lamps
11	30 (Mini)	Ignition Coils, Radio Noise Capacitors #1 & #2, Powertrain Control Module Relay
12	20 (Mini)	Trailer Running Lamps, Trailer Reversing Lamps
D	40 (Maxi)	PCM Power Relay
E	20 (Maxi)	Fuel Pump Relay, Fuel Pump Motor
F	60 (Maxi)	4 WABS Module
G	-	NOT USED
Н	40 (Maxi)	Interior Lamp Relay
J	60 (Maxi)	Ignition Switch
K	20 (Maxi)	Cigar Lighter, Data Link
L	50 (Maxi)	Ignition Switch
N	40 (Maxi)	Blower Motor Relay, Blower Motor Feed

Fuse Position	AMPS	Circuits Protected
Р	30 (Maxi)	Multifunction Switch, Main Light Switch
R	30 (Maxi)	Electronic Brake Controller Feed
S	60 (Maxi)	Central Junction Box Feed
Т	20 (Maxi)	Horn Relay
U	-	NOT USED
W	-	NOT USED
X	60 (Maxi)	Hydro-Max Relay
Υ	-	NOT USED

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Fuse No.	Name	Circuit Protected	Fuse	Circuit Breakeı
1	HTR	Circuit Protected	25A	N/A
2	PWR	Not Used By Body Manufacturer	N/A	30A
3	HORN/DM	Not Used By Body Manufacturer	20A	N/A
4	ACC Radio	Accessory and Wiper Motor Feed	N/A	10A
5	TURN-B/U	Turn Signal Flasher, PARK/NEU POSN & B/U LP SW	15A	N/A
6	ECM-BAT	Fuel Pump Relay, Engine Oil Pressure IND Sensor, Vehicle Control Module	20A	N/A
7	TAIL LPS	Head Lamp Switch	20A	N/A
8	GAUGES	DTL Relay & Control Module, AC Compressor Relay, Instrument Panel Cluster, Audio Alarm, Alternator, Ignition Feed	20A	N/A
9	I-3	Cruise Control Module & Switch, Vehicle Control Module, Stop Lamp/TCC Switch, ABS Module	15A	N/A
10	ENG-BAT	AC Compressor Relay, Data Link	15A	N/A
11	STOP-HAZ	Hazard Lamp Flasher, Stop Lamp Switch	15A	N/A
12	ECM-I	Fuel Injectors, Ignition Coil, Electronic Ignition Control Module, Vehicle Control Module, Crankshaft Position Sensor, Instrument Panel Cluster	20A	N/A
13	AUX	Not Used By Body Manufacturer	N/A	30A
14	WIPER	Not Used By Body Manufacturer	25A	N/A
15	ENG-I	Sensors, Mass Air Flow Sensor, Vehicle Control Module, EGR Valve Solenoid Evaporative Emissions Canister Purge Valve Solenoid, Fan Control Relay	20A	N/A
16	INSTR-LPS	Audio Alarm, PRNDL Lamp, Instrument Panel Cluster, Manufacturer Instrument Lamps	5A	N/A
17	TRANS	Transmission	10A	N/A
18	CRANK	Starter Relay	10A	N/A
19	AUTO APPLY	Park Brake Low Pressure Switch, Auto Apply Park Brake Switch	10A	N/A

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Circuit Breakers

Breaker current ratings are current set points in which the breaker is designed to operate. The internal configuration of the circuit breaker is designed to trip when excess current is drawn through the breaker. The breaker will heat up from the excess current causing the breaker to trip. The trip action of the circuit breaker can occur within milliseconds due to the speed at which electricity can travel. Breaker ratings are set to operate on a continuous load at 80% of the breaker's rated capacity. For example: A breaker with a 20 Amp rating will handle a continuous load of 16 Amps. This designed set point is when an inductive load is applied, such as when an electric motor turns on. As the motor starts to spin current consumption may momentarily exceed the rated capacity of the breaker. As the electric motor comes up to operating speed the electric motor's current consumption will fall. The AC current load then falls back into the breaker's rated 80% set point. This electric principle should be kept in mind when using anything other than 50 Amp shore service and using appliances with electric motors. When using outlets care should be considered when applying loads such as electric motors, heaters, coffee makers, toasters, hair dryer or other large current consuming loads. If the current rating of a load is not known it is usually stated on most electrical items. The rating will either be in amps or watts. Current ratings stated on electrical items will change slightly with voltage fluctuations. As voltage increases current consumption decreases. As voltage decreases current consumption increases. This may explain why in some instances items operated at borderline voltage to current tolerances may seem fine in one location but problematic in another.

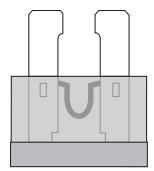


NOTE: To calculate watts to amps simply divide the watt figure by the voltage of which the item operates from. For example: The electrical item is rated at 1,370 watts. Divide that by the operating voltage of 115 Volts which equals 11.913 Amps. Use this formula to calculate load to current supply ratio.

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Fuses

AMPERAGE	COLOR
1	BLACK
2	GRAY
3	VIOLET
4	PINK
5	GOLD
7.5	BROWN
10	RED
15	BLUE
20	YELLOW
25	CLEAR
30	GREEN



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The 12 Volt fuses, located in this distribution panel, service the interior house lighting, ventilation fans, monitor panel, furnace and water heater. Should a fuse blow it will be evident by the broken metal strip located in the center of the fuse. Replacement fuses should be of the same amperage. If a higher rated fuse is installed it can damage the wiring. Fuse current set points follow much of the same electrical principle as the 120 Volt AC breakers. Using 12 Volt DC as the electromotive force can make it more susceptible to outside influences, such as corrosion from weathering or oxidation.

The large variety of applications this voltage can be used in makes it a diet staple for most of the recreational vehicle and automotive industries. The danger from shocks with this voltage is minimized but can still occur. A good example is when a magnetic field is generated, then collapses when the power supply is cut. The result is a discharge that can reach tens of thousands of volts for a short time period. Care should be used when working with this voltage as current values can be quite high, like in the case of a battery cables.

Shorting a battery cable to ground with a battery at a reasonable state of charge can result in a fire or serious personal injury from a burn.

Tools of the Trade

One of the most widely used tools used for testing a 12 Volt problem is the test light. Test lights come in a host of varieties such as a light bulb with a probe and ground clip to the more elaborate electronic ones that measure a wide scale of voltages and perform a variety of functions. A VOM or Volt Ohm Meter is used to perform a multitude of tests. It is generally used when exact values are needed for evaluation. These meters come in an analog or digital format. Either of these two testing tools may be used, depending upon personal preference. If a 12 Volt light is not working the test light may be better suited for this. In the case of a charging system problem the meter may be the tool of choice. In any situation the testing tool is an invaluable piece of equipment when it comes to determining an electrical problem.

Knowing When to Say No

Should it become necessary to use testing tools take certain precautions and consider three things. First, recognize when the problem is beyond your skill level. Nothing will create more mayhem than being armed with tools and going in an unknown direction. Good intentions have led to major problems. The second item to keep in mind is if something will cause more grief by being dealt with now than if it were left alone and repaired by a professional at a more convenient time. How many times have you said to yourself, "This will only take a

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few minutes," only to find it is taking an entire day and you wished you had not touched it? The third item to consider is whether or not the current situation may be potentially dangerous if left to be repaired at a more convenient time?



NOTE: Check all related fuses before assuming you have encountered an electrical problem or situation. Spare fuses should be kept on hand, and can be purchased from most auto parts stores. A fuse description label is on the distribution panel cover.



WARNING: If a fuse blows replace a fuse with of the same amperage rating and type. Installing higher amperage fuses can damage the wiring or the item the fuse is protecting, or may cause a fire. If the fuse repeatedly blows after replacing it do not continue to replace it. Have the problem diagnosed and corrected by a qualified technician.

The operation of the battery is based on a chemical reaction. The battery is comprised of lead plates and a solution of distilled water and sulfuric acid. The solution, when mixed together, is known as "electrolyte." The 12 Volt battery is actually six batteries in one case. When charged, each cell has a voltage of 2.1 Volts. When six cells are hooked together this makes a 12.6 Volt battery (fully charged).

Electrons are stored on the negative plates. When a load (eg. a light bulb) is put between the positive and negative terminals the electrons move from the negative plate to the positive plate through the "load" and then back to the ground terminal. At this time the sulfuric acid leaves the water and adheres onto the plates of the battery. The electrolyte solution keeps the electrons from flowing while the battery is in the "at rest" position.

Charging the battery moves the sulfuric acid back into solution with the distilled water. A battery left in a low or discharged state will cause the acid to "sulfate." In attempting to recharge the battery, the acid has become hardened and no longer will leave the plates and enter into the liquid solution with the distilled water. The lowered acid to water ratio has a direct affect on the battery's ability to release the stored electrons (power output) and the length of time it can perform (reserve capacity). Batteries left in a discharged condition will readily freeze. This can crack the case allowing the solution to spill. It can also warp the plates. The acid acts like an "antifreeze" for the battery. This is why batteries should not be left or stored in a "discharged" condition.

BATTERY -HOW IT WORKS

Batteries come in different sizes, types, amp hours, voltages and chemistries. There are nearly as many descriptions of battery types and how they should be used as there are people willing to offer advice on them. Although it is not possible to cover batteries in their entirety there are guidelines that can be followed to ensure that the batteries are well maintained.

Battery Types

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Starting Battery

The starting battery is designed for high output cranking power, but not for deep cycling like the house batteries are designed to do. The starting battery will not last long in a deep cycle application. The way it is rated should give a good indication of its intended use. "Cold Cranking Ampere" is a measurement of amperage output that can be sustained for 30 seconds. The starting battery uses thin plates to maximize the surface area of the battery. This allows a very high starting current, but lets the plates warp when the battery is deep cycled (discharged).

Deep Cycle Battery

This is the type of battery that is best suited for use with 12 Volt operated lights, appliances and inverters. Deep cycle batteries are designed to have the majority of their capacity used before being recharged. Available in many sizes and types, the most common is a non-sealed, liquid electrolyte battery. The non-sealed types have battery caps. The caps should be removed periodically to check the level of electrolyte. When a cell is low only distilled water should be added. Water consumption will vary depending on many factors: how far the batteries are depleted, how much voltage, how long the voltage is being applied to charge the batteries and how often this occurs.



NOTE: Tap water contains minerals which can alter battery chemistry and ruin the battery. Use only distilled water when refilling the battery.

Battery Maintenance

At a minimum, the battery electrolyte level should be checked at least once a month. Check the level sooner if the battery is frequently used. The level should be above the top of the plates, but not overfull. Most batteries have a plastic cup or well. The electrolyte level should be approximately 1/8" below the well to allow room for expansion while the battery is being charged. Overfilling the battery will allow the electrolyte solution to boil or gas out of the battery cap. Remember to use only distilled water to refill the battery. A battery with a low electrolyte level will boil the water out rapidly once the plates have been exposed to air. This process may take only a matter of hours. If this has happened the battery is more than likely damaged.

After checking the battery's electrolyte levels it is also a good idea to check the battery connections for tightness and corrosion. If any corrosion is found disconnect the cables (make sure to mark their locations) and carefully clean them with a mild solution of baking soda and water. There are also aerosol products available that will work. This will neutralize any acid that may be present. Do not allow the solution to enter the battery as this will damage the electrolyte balance. Use water to rinse the top of the battery area when done. Hook the cables back to the battery. Coat the terminals with petroleum jelly or an anti-corrosive grease.

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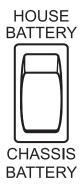
The battery cable to battery terminal connections should be metal to metal. Periodically check the batteries for corrosion. Look for cracks and check the vent plugs. Replace them if they are cracked or missing. Keep the top of the batteries clean. The accumulation of electrolyte and dirt may permit small amounts of current to flow between the terminals which can drain the battery.

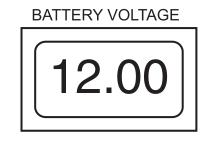


WARNING: Liquid lead acid batteries produce hydrogen gas while being charged. This is highly explosive. Do not smoke around batteries. Extinguish all flames in the area. Batteries may explode resulting in fire, personal injury, property damage or death.

There are several ways in which a battery can be tested and monitored. The motorhome uses a monitor panel located in hall area, which shows the status of the house batteries at a quick glance. Pressing and holding the test button, the power voltage will be displayed.

Testing the Batteries

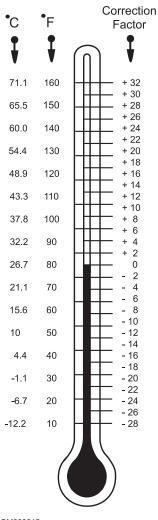




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A more efficient way of testing the batteries is to check the electrolyte solution. The only way to test a battery's electrolyte solution is with a hydrometer. Many styles are available, from types with cylinder graduation (shown here) to types with floating balls. Hydrometers can be purchased from most auto parts stores. The hydrometer tests the battery's electrolyte solution which is measured in specific gravity (sulfuric acid to water ratio). Distilled water has a specific assigned gravity of 1,000. The hydrometer is calibrated to this mark. Pure sulfuric acid has a specific gravity reading of 1,840. The acid is 1.84 times heavier than water. The electrolyte solution is about 64% water to 36% acid (fully charged battery). Hydrometers with cylinder graduation are graphed and the exact state of specific gravity can be determined.

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Temperature and recent battery activity (charging or discharging) affect the hydrometer readings. It is best to check the battery when it has been "at rest" for at least three hours, although readings taken at other times will give a "ball park" figure. Using the hydrometer, draw the electrolyte solution up into the tube. Allow the hydrometer to attain the same temperature as the electrolyte solution. Note the reading for that cell. Complete the same test for the rest of the cells on that battery bank.

Chart readings are taken at 80° Fahrenheit. Temperature affects the hydrometer readings. The higher the electrolyte temperature, the higher the specific gravity reading. The lower the temperature, the lower the specific gravity reading will be. Add or subtract four points for each 10° variance from the 80° Fahrenheit chart. Readings between cells should not vary more than 50 points.

If one cell in a particular battery bank being tested is at a 50% state of charge while the others are fully charged, charge that battery to see if the low cell will come up. At the same time, do not over charge the "healthy" cells.

If the low cell does not come up after charging, this battery can damage the rest of the battery bank and should be replaced. An accurate digital volt meter + - .5% will also give an indicator of the battery's state of charge.

Another test that can be performed is to put the battery(s) under a specified load for a predetermined length of time for that particular battery's rating. This machine is usually an adjustable carbon pile that can vary the load applied to the battery(s) while monitoring voltage to see if they will perform to the specific rated capacities.





NOTE: See chart for temperature compensation. Liquid levels should be even between the cells of the battery being tested as it will affect the accuracy of the test.



WARNING: Sulfuric acid in the batteries can cause severe injury or death. Sulfuric acid can cause permanent damage to eyes, burn skin and eat holes in clothing. Always wear splash-proof safety goggles when working around the battery. If battery electrolyte is splashed in eyes or on skin immediately flush the affected area for 15 minutes with large quantities of clean water. In case of eye contact seek immediate medical aid. Never add acid to a battery once the battery has been placed in service. Doing so may result in hazardous splattering of electrolyte.

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1. Physical Condition:

Seven Reasons Why Batteries Fail

Active material flakes off the plates and fall to the bottom of the cell. This is normal, but sediment accumulates under the plates and can short out a cell. The plate separators fail to insulate positive and negative plates in a cell and the cell becomes shorted, ruining the battery.

2. Insufficient Electrolyte:

This allows exposed portions of the plates to sulfate rapidly. This reduces the battery's ability to accept a charge and the battery capacity is reduced. Accelerated erosion of the lower portions of the plates occur from higher than normal acid content due to water loss. Only the water evaporates, not the acid. The battery also has a higher internal resistance when low on water. Add only distilled water. Fill each cell to the bottom of the vent well when the battery is warm. Filling a very cold battery with water to the bottom of the vent well will cause overspill when the battery warms up and the plates expand. A Battery Formula For Failure: The battery has a higher internal resistance when low on water, therefore: *high resistance = more heat = shorter battery life!*

3. Sulfation:

When a battery is allowed to remain discharged too long the accumulated lead sulfate in the plate material solidifies and cannot reenter the electrolyte. Sulfate in plates is not able to reconstitute the electrolyte to a higher specific gravity, or to restore the plate material to a more active composition.

4. Overheating:

A battery operated, when the electrolyte temperature reaches 125° F, increases the chemical reaction. This increases the corrosion of the plates and reduces the battery life. When overheated the battery plates tend to buckle and destroy the structural integrity of the battery.

5. Freezing:

When the electrolyte freezes, ice formed dislodges the active material from the plates. The battery case may crack and the electrolyte will leak out when thawed. It is especially important to keep a battery at full charge in cold weather to prevent freezing. The high specific gravity of a fully charged battery does not freeze as easily. Never attempt to recharge a frozen battery. Warm it up first.

6. Corrosion:

Corrosion from spilled or splashed electrolyte form deposits that can conduct electricity and cause battery drain. Clean off all corrosion, especially around the battery terminals and on the top cover of the battery. Prevent accumulation by coating the terminals and the exposed metal cable connectors with high temperature grease.

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7. Overcharging:

Overcharging rapidly converts water to gas and decreases the electrolyte's water content as the water evaporates. The electrolyte level drops and becomes more acid in content. This subjects the plates to a higher concentration of sulfuric acid and results in early battery failure.



NOTE: Any time you add more than one or two ounces percell per-thousand miles driven, check the motorhome charging system for overcharging. Prolonged overcharging generates excessive heat inside the battery which buckles the plates and destroys the battery. It is a fact that over 50% of battery failures are caused by overcharging.

Battery Voltage & Current

Why does the voltage on a discharged battery measure the same as a fully charged battery until the loads are applied? The simple answer to this might go as follows: A battery creates electrical power by converting energy from a chemical reaction into electrical energy. As this reaction slows down the battery voltage will drop. In a lead acid battery the electrolyte conductivity (how well electrical current can flow through it) changes. The same current may be available but the rate of the reaction decreases, causing a voltage drop.

Another way of looking at this is to use the analogy of a water pump (a battery is an electric pump). The pressure in psi (pounds per square inch) that a pump delivers is like a battery's voltage. The volume of water in GPM (gallons per minute) is like the electrical current. Let's look at a 12 psi pump with no loads (the pump is running but the outflow valve is turned off). The pump will run and the internal pressure of the pump will build up to some point higher than 12 psi. Once the valve is opened and the water is free to flow into the loads the pressure will drop to the rated output pressure of 12 psi, but only if the load is not too big. If the pump is designed to maintain 12 psi at 15 GPM, and a load demanding 20 GPM is connected, the pump will not be able to keep up and the pressure will get sucked down to a lower psi.

If the load is then reduced or removed the pump will catch up and return to its rated 12 psi pressure. If the pump has an infinite source of water, such as a lake or the water utility (this is like the grid, no battery), the pump will never run out of pressure. If the pump never runs out of pressure and is operated at or below its 15 GPM level, it will hold 12 psi. However, a pump that is connected to a water tank with a finite capacity will start to lose the ability to hold pressure as the level of water in the tank drops. Think of siphoning water from a bucket. As the level of the water drops the volume of water exiting the siphon slows down.

When the tank is full it is capable of feeding more "pressure" to the pump inlet due to gravity, and the pump always has enough water available to maintain its rated pressure and volume. However, if the water tank gets low the pump will not have enough water volume coming in to maintain 12 psi at

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15 GPM. If the loads are taken away from the pump by closing the valve on the outflow, even with low pressure in the tank the pump will eventually pump up to 12 psi. It will just take it longer to get there. When the valve is opened the pump will sustain 12 psi for a brief period, but since the tank is no longer feeding the pump as fast as needed the pressure will eventually drop. This analogy can be restated by replacing the pump with a battery, pressure with voltage, volume with amps, outflow valve with a switch, water with electricity and the water tank with the battery electrolyte.

The level of the tank could be thought of as the rate of the reaction taking place in the electrolyte. When the battery is fully charged the electrolyte has an excess of reactions taking place to feed the battery terminals. This tapers off with time as the electrolyte is spent so maintaining voltage becomes possible. With no loads the spent electrolyte will be capable of producing close to the rated voltage, but only after a period of time has elapsed for enough reactions to take place to bring the voltage back up. Hopefully, this scenario will help make clear why a battery measured at rest can show close to its rated voltage but will not run a load.

Calculating Run Times:

Calculating run time figures when operating 120 Volt AC electrical items with an inverter can be expediential. This is due to battery characteristics. Flow characteristics of electrons vary with different battery types and chemical compositions. Deep cycle batteries are generally designed to slowly release a majority of their charge capacity. Deep cycle batteries are rated in amp hours (Ahr) with the discharge occurring over an extended period of time before the battery is charged. Engine starting batteries are designed to quickly release large amounts of current for short durations without depleting battery reserves. Commercial type batteries bridge the gap of deep cycle and engine batteries. Commercial batteries release medium amounts of current over a longer period of time, but they are not designed to cycle their charge capacity.

The working range of a deep cycle battery is between 50 and 100% state of charge (SOC). Deep cycle batteries should not be cycled below 50% state of charge. Discharging a deep cycle battery below 50% state of charge shortens the life of the battery. Deep cycle batteries use an amp hour rating which is usually calculated over a 20 hour discharge interval. Example: A deep cycle battery with a rated capacity of 100 Ahr is designed to release current at the rate of five amps per hour. Multiply a 5 amp load over a 20 hour discharge period equals the rated 100 Ahr capacity. These discharge figures are calculated with the battery starting at 100% state of charge with the battery at 80° F when the discharge cycle begins. Increasing the discharge load applied to the battery from five amps to ten amps on a 100 Ahr battery does not yield 10 hours of discharge time. This is due to the internal reactions which occur when a battery is discharging. Actual discharge time for a 10 amp load may be closer to eight hours of discharge time. Increasing the load applied to the battery to 20 amps will not yield five hours discharge time but may be less than three hours. It

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might be understood as a point of diminishing return.

Calculating applied loads to an inverter to approximate run time from the battery amp hours available is not an equal trade up when voltage is inverted and amperage is calculated. When the inverter is used to operate an AC load, it uses approximately ten times the DC current needed from the battery when inverting 12 Volts to operate the 120 Volt item. Also, a small inverter loses approximately 10% of its efficiency when inverting. For example: When using the inverter to operate an AC electrical item, which has a current draw rating of 2 amps, the inverter will use over 20 amps DC power from the batteries.

Determining Current Consumption:

First determine the amount of current used by an AC item. For example: The television is rated at 200 watts at 120 Volts. Calculate watts to amps. Divide 200 watts by the operating voltage of 120. This equals 1.6 amps. Multiply 1.6 amps AC current by a factor of ten the inverter will use. This equals 16 amps DC battery current. Add the revised 10% efficiency loss figure. This calculates to a total of 17.6 amps DC. If the battery bank capacity is rated at 500 Ahrs, actual elapsed time to the suggested 50% state of charge would net viewing time for the television at approximately 13 hours in ideal conditions.

The run time figure will vary greatly with the actual state of charge of the battery bank when the discharge process begins. Ambient temperature, combined with other working loads, such as lights and parasitic loads applied to batteries, affect run times. Calculating the exact run time is not precise due to all the variables and equations involved; however, an approximate time figure can be obtained. Proper battery maintenance and charge cycles affect battery performance. Observe the battery condition with hydrometer and voltage readings. Use only distilled water when filling batteries. To achieve the highest quality of battery performance and longevity keep batteries in their proper operating range.

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Chassis	AH (20 hr)	CCA	RC (25A) minutes
12 Volt Chassis			minacoo
BXT-65-750	N/A	750	N/A
6 Volt Domestic			
U2200 (2 each)	225	**	447

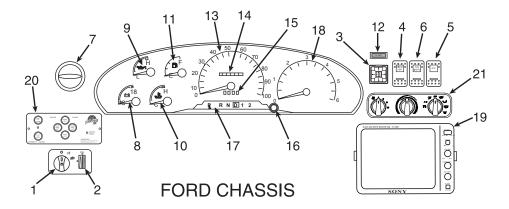
^{**}Battery connections are made in a Series/Parallel connection.

Domestic batteries not rated in Cold Cranking Amps (CCA).

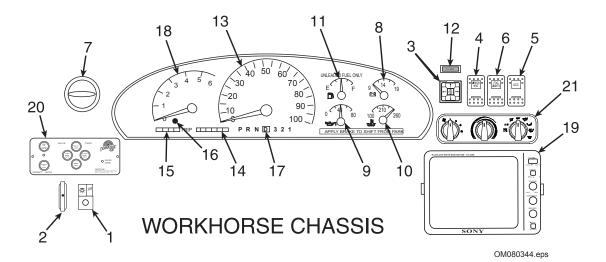
STATE OF CHARGE	VS.	OPEN CIRCUIT VOLTAGE	STATE OF CHARGE	VS.	SPECIFIC GRAVITY
100%		12.66V	100%		1.265
75%		12.45V	75%		1.225
50%		12.24V	50%		1.19
25%		12.06V	25%		1.155
Discharged		11.89V	Discharged		1.12

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DASH PANEL



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- 1. Headlight Switch: Turns the headlights on and off.
- 2. Panel Light Switch:

Dims the dash panel backlighting.

3. Mirror Control:

This switch adjusts the bottom mirror of the rear view mirror. The small selector in the middle of the switch must be placed in the desired side. The middle position is to prevent accidental bumping of the switch and changing the mirror position.

Mirror Care and Cleaning:

When washing your motorhome with hot water and soap you will be also washing the outside chrome mirrors. After you complete washing the motorhome you will need to clean the outside mirrors with a good quality glass cleaner. DO NOT use anything abrasive on the mirror and the outside chrome of the mirror.

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4. Mirr Heat:

This switch turns on the heaters in outside rear view mirrors. The mirror heaters should be used when defogging or deicing is needed. Mirror heat should not be left in the ON position unless continuous fogging conditions occur.

The outside mirrors have been placed so they can be easily adjusted with an Allen wrench. After taking delivery of the new motorhome it will be necessary to sit in the driver's seat and have the mirrors adjusted for accurate visibility. Make sure you can see out of both the driver and the passenger side mirrors before heading out on the road.

5. Accessory Switch:

The Accessory Switch is prewired with a hot wire and ground wire for additional accessories which may be added in the future.

6. Fog Lights:

Turns fog lights ON and OFF for better visibility. The fog lights will operate with the Low Beam of the headlights.

7. Air Conditioner Vent:

The vent will direct air flow either right, left, up or down.

8. Voltmeter:

Shows voltage of chassis electrical system.

9. Oil Pressure Gauge:

Registers oil pressure of engine. A engine temperature reading in mid-range area is considered average.

10. Engine Temperature Gauge:

Normal operating temperatures should be a mid-range indication.

11. Fuel:

Fuel gauge will register approximate fuel level in tank when ignition switch is in run position.



NOTE: Fuel mileage varies with driving style and road conditions. Always average more than one tankful to obtain a more accurate figure. The Generator will use fuel from main tank and will affect fuel mileage figures. The Generator will not operate below 1/4 tank to insure there is enough fuel to run main engine.

12. Antenna Up Warning Light:

This light illuminates when TV antenna is in raised position with ignition switch ON. Do not move motorhome until the antenna is lowered.

13. Speedometer:

Indicates the speed of the motorhome. The gauge indicates MPH and KPH. Located on center of the instrument cluster.

14. Odometer:

The odometer indicates the actual mileage of the motorhome.

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15. Trip meter:

The trip meter will display the current mileage of the trip since the last reset

16. Reset Button:

Used to reset the trip meter counter to zero.

17. Shift Selector:

The indicator shows the position on the transmission.

- P Indicates Park.
- R Indicates Reverse.
- N Indicates Neutral.
- **D** Indicates Drive.
- 1 Indicates Lower Drive.
- 2 Indicates Lower Drive.

18. Tachometer:

Displays engine speed in revolutions per minute (RPM).

Tachometer reads output pulse of alternator. If tachometer quits, or indicates improperly, have alternator checked immediately.

19. Rear View Camera Monitor:

Used with the backup camera and will display the rear view of the motorhome.

20. Leveling Controls:

The hydraulic leveling system is designed as a leveling system only. The leveling system should not be used to support the motorhome while under coach or for changing tires. A tire change should be performed by trained personnel with the proper tools and equipment. Attempts to change tires using the leveling jack to support the motorhome could result in damage to the motorhome and risk causing serious personal injury.

21. Dash AC and Heater Control:

The system is designed to only provide heating, cooling and defrost capabilities for the pilot/co-pilot area. The system is not capable of heating or cooling the entire motorhome.

Blower Operation:

The blower is selected automatically when the desired feature is selected with the "**SELECT SWITCH**." The system is shut off by placing the mode control switch in the "**OFF**" position.

Operation: The A/C dash system will operate in all modes except **VENT**, **FLOOR** and **OFF**. The A/C and **MAX** positions engage the A/C compressor. When the switch is positioned in the A/C mode, fresh air is drawn through the front air intake of the unit through the A/C coil. In the **MAX** position a damper door closes off the fresh air while another door opens to permit only air from inside the coach to be used. When maximum cold air is desired this position should be selected. Also use this position when you do not wish to introduce outside air into the coach.

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Air Distribution Switch (Mode Control):

This switch is used to direct air where it is needed to maximize the comfort of the motorhome.

MAX A/C - Recirculated air is drawn from the passenger area and discharged through the dash louvers. The AC compressor operates in this function control setting.

A/C - Fresh Air is drawn from outside into the system and discharged through the dash louvers. The AC compressor operates in this control setting.

VENT - Fresh air is drawn in and discharged throughout the dash and defrost louvers. The AC compressor **DOES NOT** operate in this control setting.

OFF - The blower motor does not operate. The fresh air inlet door will close minimizing outside air infiltration into the motorhome

BI-LEVEL - Fresh air is drawn in and discharged through the dash, floor and defrost louvers. The AC compressor will engage in this mode.

FLOOR - Fresh air is drawn in and discharged through the floor louvers. A small amount of air is used to defrost the windshield.

MIX - Fresh air is drawn in and discharged through the floor and defrost louvers. The A/C system operates to dehumidify the discharged air. The A/C compressor operates in this control setting.

DEFROST - Fresh air is drawn in and discharged through the defrost louvers. The A/C system operates to dehumidify the discharged air.

Temperature Control Switch:

This switch controls an electric water valve regulating the amount of engine coolant passing through the heating and cooling coils in the system. Rotating to the red area provides warmer air; rotating to the blue area provides cooler air.

Blower Control Switch:

The switch controls the speed of the blower motor, which is one of the best and most effective ways of controlling the temperature. The switch provides four speeds in all modes except **OFF**.

MAX A/C

A/C



OFF









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Operating tips and hints:

Air intake and discharge temperatures are greatly affected by ambient tem perature and relative humidity. A large amount of cooling capacity is used to dehumidify air as well as cool it. After three to five minutes of A/C opera tions the discharged air temperature should be approximately 30° F cooler than the fresh or recirculated air entering the A/C system.

Winter Use:

- De-ice the windshield using the **DEFROST** mode.
- Air will heat up faster with a slower blower speed until normal operating temperature ranges are reached.

Summer Use:

- Close all windows and vents to hot, humid outside air.
- MAX A/C and HI blower will provide quick cool down.
- Use a lower blower speed to produce cooler air.

Troubleshooting:

The dash A/C/Heat system uses a combination of compressed air (developed by the chassis system), vacuum air (developed by the vacuum generator) and electric relays and vacuum switches. Therefore, any repair can be classified in one of five categories:

• Electrical • Vacuum • Air Conditioner • Heater • Defroster
The motorhome compressed air tank must have adequate pressure to
operate the vacuum generator or damper doors will not function. Also, the dash
A/C/Heat unit must be switched ON to provide electric current to the relays,
vacuum switches, etc. The dash A/C and heater system should be used monthly
to keep the compressor lubricated. The following information is provided to
assist in troubleshooting common operational problems which may occur.

No Heating:

- A/C switch is turned off.
- Blower switch is turned off.
- Verify the proper engine coolant level.
- Verify that the engine is reaching operating temperature.
- Verify engine coolant is reaching water valve attached to unit.
- Verify operation of water valve to permit engine coolant to pass through valve to heater core.
- Check unit fuses.
- Check power supply to water valve and grounding.
- Check wiring.
- Engine thermostat faulty.

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No Cooling:

- Check blower is operating, A/C switch is in A/C or Max position, temperature control is turned to max cooling (blue area).
- System fuses are not blown.
- Condenser fan is operating.
- Check power supply to unit and grounding of system.
- Check wiring.
- Coolant valve leaking.
- Drive belt loose or broken.
- Compressor Clutch inoperative, will not engage.
- Expansion Valve faulty or frozen.
- Thermostat control faulty.
- Mode control switch faulty.
- Compressor faulty.
- Loss of refrigerant.

Reduced cooling:

- Coolant valve not operating correctly.
- Air passages obstructed.
- Loose or worn drive belt.
- Check blower and select switch.
- Thermostat control valve faulty.
- Expansion valve faulty.
- Compressor faulty.
- Low refrigerant charge.

Blower Does Not Operate or Runs Slow:

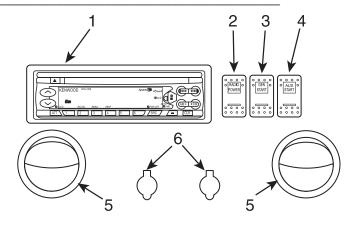
- Check fuses.
- Check for loose or corroded connection.
- Check wiring.
- Check ignition switch is "ON."
- Check blower and select switch.
- Motor shaft seized.
- Blower wheel out of alignment.

Damper Doors Do Not Operate:

- Does motorhome air tank have pressure?
- Check vacuum generator is being powered and producing vacuum.
- Check vacuum line entering unit for vacuum.
- Check that the vacuum solenoid mounted on unit is receiving power from the mode switch. If operating properly, the vacuum solenoid will feel hot if current is engaging the solenoid.
- Check mode switch.
- Check wiring.
- Check for pinched vacuum line leading to the vacuum motor operating the damper door in question.

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CENTER CONSOLE PANEL

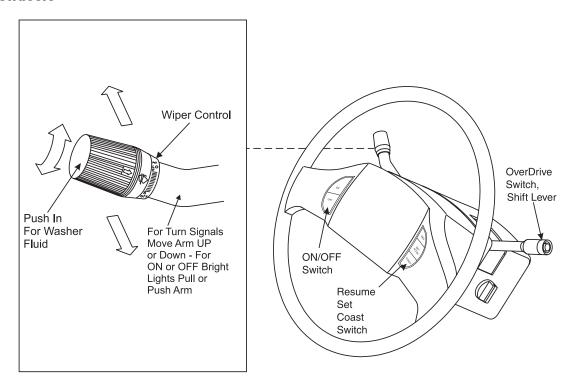


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- **1. Radio:** Complete instructions for operation of the radio are in your Owner's Information Packet.
- **2. Radio power switch:** Turns radio on and off independent of main switch on radio.
- **3. Generator Start Switch:** Allows you to start generator from inside your motorhome.
- **4. Auxiliary Start Switch:** Will borrow power from the coach battery to jump start motorhome if chassis battery does not start motorhome.
- **5. Air Conditioner Vent:** Louvers in vent will direct air either right, left, up or down.
- **6.** Cigarette Lighter/Auxiliary Power: Can be used as a power source for a cellular phone.

STEERING WHEEL - Ford Chassis

The left lever arm contains the controls to operate the wipers, turn signals and headlight dimmer (turns brights on and off). This lever will also function as



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the ICC Flash. Cruise control switches are located on the steering wheel and the Overdrive Lock-Out is located on the end of shift lever.

The cruise control has a built in safety switch which will not allow the system to operate until the speed of the motorhome is greater than 30 mph.

To Set Speed:

Push and release the **ON/OFF** switch on the steering wheel. Accelerate to the desired speed which exceeds 30 mph. When obtained, hold the desired speed with the foot pedal while the **SET** switch is pressed and released. One second after the switch is released the foot can be removed from the accelerator pedal. Speed can be increased at any time with pressure on the accelerator pedal. When the accelerator pedal is released the set speed will be resumed.

To Accelerate:

When the cruise is engaged there are two ways to accelerate the motorhome. Push and hold the **SET** switch on steering wheel to accelerate the motorhome. In using the **SET** switch, once the **SET** switch is released that speed will then automatically become the new default speed setting. The other option for acceleration is simply press to the accelerator pedal. When the accelerator pedal is released the original programmed speed will be resumed.

To Coast:

The **COAST** switch on steering wheel will allow the motorhome to coast or slow in speed. When the **COAST** switch is pressed and held the motorhome will slow in speed. When released the motorhome programmed set speed will automatically set to the adjusted coast speed.

To Disengage:

The cruise can be disengaged by two methods, simply press the brake pedal and the current programmed speed is canceled. Pressing and releasing the **ON/OFF** switch on steering wheel will erase the programmed speed and turn OFF the cruise function.

To Resume:

When you disengage system with the brake you do not erase the set speed from memory even if a complete stop is reached. To return to the chosen speed drive to a speed above 30 mph then push the **RESUME** switch on steering wheel. The speed control program will take you back to that original set speed. If the rate of acceleration is faster or slower than you like, use the accelerator to obtain a speed close to pre-set speed then push the **RESUME** switch. The cruise control will automatically be turned off when ignition switch is turned off.

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Tilt Steering

The control for the steering wheel tilt is a lever located on the steering column near the dash. Pulling the lever will allow changes to be made in the tilt of the steering wheel. Adjust the wheel to the desired position then release the lever.

Wiper/Washer Operation

When the end of the arm is pressed inward, washer fluid will be dispensed from the system and the wipers will turn on momentarily. Fluid will continue to be dispensed until the tip is released.

Headlight Beam Change & Turn Signals

Wiper operations are controlled when rotating the end of the arm. When the end of the arm is rotated from **OFF** to **DELAY** the wipers will turn on and a time delay between wipes (ranging from 45 seconds to 2 seconds) will occur. The amount of delay time changes as arm end is rotated. A continuous low or high speed can be obtained by rotating the arm end to appropriate position. The wipers will be turned OFF with the switch in the **OFF** position.

Overdrive Lock-Out Switch

Moving the arm upward will activate the right hand turn signal circuitry. A downward movement will activate the left hand turn signal circuitry. When the headlights are ON pushing the arm away from steering wheel will switch the headlights from low to high beam. This position will require a slight pull towards the steering wheel to change from high to low beam. There is blue headlight indicator in the dash cluster which indicates when high beams are selected. The headlight ICC circuitry can be operated by momentarily pulling the arm all the way up towards the steering wheel and releasing. This procedure, when repeated several times in succession, will flash the headlights.

Hazard Flasher

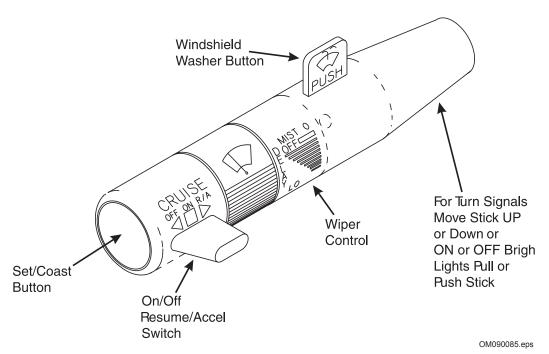
The lock out overdrive is for towing or direct drive transmission operation. Push in on the button located on end of shift lever and the indicator light on the lever dash cluster will illuminate. This should be engaged for mountain driving. Return to overdrive operation by pushing the button in and release it. The indicator light on the lever will go out. This is the normal indication.

The flasher button is located on the top of the steering column.

- To turn four way flasher on, push in on flasher button. This will release the switch and activate the flashers circuitry.
- To shut off the flasher again push in on the push button, locking the button inward.

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WIPER CONTROL Workhorse Chassis



Multifunction Lever

The lever on the left side of the steering column includes the following:

- Turn Signal and Lane Changer.
- Headlamp High/Low Beam Changer.
- Windshield Wipers.
- · Windshield Washer.
- Cruise Control.

Turn Signal and Lane Change Indicator

The turn signal has two upward (for right) and two downward (for left) positions. These positions allow you to signal a turn or a lane change.

To signal a turn, move the lever all the way up or down. When the turn is finished, the lever will return automatically.

To signal a lane change, raise or lower the lever until the arrow starts to flash. Hold it there until you complete your lane change. The lever will return by itself when released.

If the arrows do not flash, but remain on when you signal a turn or a lane change, a signal bulb may be burned out and other drivers will not see the turn signal.

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If a bulb is burned out, replace it to help avoid an accident. If the arrows do not go on at all when you signal a turn, inspect the fuse and check for burned out bulbs.

Headlamp High/Low Beam Changer

To change the headlamps for low beam to high beam, or high to low, pull the turn signal lever all the way toward you, then release it.

Wiper/Washer Operation

Push button to wash position and release. Wash solution is delivered within approximately 5 seconds and wipers will turn on and off automatically. A continuous wash and wipe is performed as long as wash button is activated.

When rotating smart stick section from OFF to delay, turn wipers on and a delay between wipes (ranging from 45 seconds to 2 seconds) will occur. Delay time changes as stick is turned forward. A continuous low or high speed can be obtained by rotating section to appropriate position. To turn wipers off rotate stick to OFF position.

Cruise Control

Cruise control can maintain a speed of about 25 mph (40 km/h) or more. Cruise control does not work at speeds below about 25 mph (40 km/h). Cruise control shuts off when brakes are applied.

To Set Speed - Move slide on smart stick to ON position and drive at desired speed above 25 mph. Hold desired speed and press and release Set/Coast button. One second after release, remove pressure from accelerator pedal. Increase speed at any time by pressing on the accelerator pedal. Releasing the accelerator pedal will return to set speed.

To Accelerate - Hold slide switch in Resume/Accel position and motorhome will accelerate. Release switch and motorhome will slow to set speed and remain there. To set speed at a higher rate, release slide button and immediately press and release Set/Coast button as motorhome reaches desired speed.

To Coast - Press and hold Set/Coast button in and allow motorhome to coast. To set speed at a lower rate, release button as motorhome approaches desired speed.

To Disengage - Depress brake pedal to take control of motorhome's speed. Speed control can also be disengaged by pushing slide switch to OFF.

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To Resume - The speed is not erased from memory when disengaging the system with the brake, even if the vehicle reaches a complete stop. To resume to the preset speed, accelerate above 25 mph, move slide button to Resume/Accel position and release. Speed control will return to the prior set speed. If this speed is not appropriate, obtain the preferred speed, slide button to Resume/Accel and release. There is no drain on the battery when ignition switch is off and crise is left on.

Interior Lights:

- Sidewall 1076
- Dinette Light 1141
- Double Pancake Bulb 1141
- Single Pancake Bulb 1141
- Cosmetic Light 9-019C
- Map Light Bulb 1003
- Fluorescent Light Phillips F8T5/CW

Exterior Lights:

- Engine Light GE232
- Porch/Off Door Service Light Bulb 1003
- Red Clearance Bulb 194
- Amber Clearance Bulb 194
- Storage Lights 168
- Systems Compartment 1141
- Tail Light Turn Signal (Top) 3156
- Tail Light Brake/Tail (Center) 3457
- Tail Light Back Up (Bottom) 3156
- Third Brake Light 562
- License Plate Order Complete Assembly
- Front Amber Park (Outside Top) 194
- Front Amber Turn/Park (Outside Bottom) 1157
- Front Amber Turn (Inside Top) 1156
- Front Headlight (Inside Bottom) HB519007

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TIRE - CHART

	TIRE	MAX Speed	Dual (D)				INFL	ATI	O N	PRES	SSUF	RE P	S I			
	SIZE	Rating (MPH)	Single (S)	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	105	110	115	120	125
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	265/70R19.5	75	D S				3750 3970	3930 4180	4095 4355	4300 4540	4405 4685	4560 4850	4805 5070	4860 5170	5070(G) 5355(G)	
	9R22.5	65	D S	3120 3190	3270 3370	3410 3560	3550 3730	3690 3890	3820 4050	3950(F) 4210	4350	4500(F)				
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	265/75R22.5	75	D S			4040 4070	4205 4255	4370 4440	4525 4620	4685 4800	4805(G) 4975	5150	5205(G)			
	275/80R22.5	75	D S					4855 5265	5080 5515	5305 5755	5525 6000	5745 6235	5965 6475	6180 6710	6395(H) 6940(H)	
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	315/80R22.5	75	D S					5840 6415	6070 6670	6395 6940	6540 7190	6770 7440	6940 7610	7210 7920	7610(J) 8270(J)	
	285/75R24.5	75	D S			4740 4770	4930 4990	5205 5210	5310 5420	5495 5675	5675(G) 5835	6040	6175(G)			

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COMMON PARTS - CHART

COMMON PARTS - CHART FORD				
COMPONENT	68. L V10 ENGINE			
Air Filter	FA - 1634			
Battery	BXT - 65 - 750			
Fuel Filter	FG872			
Oil Filter	FL - 820 - S			
PCV Valve	EV - 233			
Spark Plugs	AWSF 22E			

COMMON PARTS - CHART WORKHORSE (Chassis)			
COMPONENT	7.4 L V8 AS Fuel Injection		
Air Filter	A1236C		
Fuel Filter	GF481		
Oil Filter	PF1218		
PCV Valve	CV744C		
Spark Plugs	41-932		
Radiator Cap	RC33		

SPECIFICATION - CHART

SPECIFICATION CHART									
MODEL	30PBD	32PBD	34SBD	34PBD	36WDD	36DBD			
Ford Chassis									
GVWR	20,500 lbs	20,500 lbs	22,000 lbs	22,000 lbs	22,000 lbs	22,000 lbs			
GCWR	25,500 lbs	25,500 lbs	27,000 lbs	27,000 lbs	27,000 lbs	27,000 lbs			
GAWR (Front)	7,000 lbs	7,000 lbs	*TBD	*TBD	*TBD	*TBD			
GAWR (Rear)	13,500 lbs	13,500 lbs	*TBD	*TBD	*TBD	*TBD			
*NO	ΓE: TBD - No	ot available a	t the time of	print.					
Workhorse Chassis									
GVWR	20,700 lbs	20,700 lbs	22,000 lbs.	22,000 lbs.	22,000 lbs.	22,000 lbs			
GCWR	25,700 lbs.	25,700 lbs.	26,000 lbs.	26,000 lbs.	26,000 lbs.	26,000 lbs.			
GAWR (Front)	7,500 lbs.	7,500 lbs.	8,000 lbs.	8,000 lbs.	8,000 lbs.	8,000 lbs.			
GAWR (Rear)	13,500 lbs.	13,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.	14,500 lbs.			
Measurements									
Wheel Base	190"	208"	228"	228"	238"	228"			
Overall Length	30'8"	32'8"	34'10"	34'10"	36'6"	36'6"			
Overall Height	11'9"	11'9"	11'9"	11'9"	11'9"	11'9"			
Interior Height	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"	6'6"			
Interior Width	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"	94-1/2"			
Exterior Width	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"	100.5"			

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TANK CAPACITIES

SPECIFICATION CHART								
MODEL	30PBD	32PBD	34SBD	34PBD	36WDD	36DBD		
Water Heater	6 gal.	6 gal.	6 gal.	6 gal.	6 gal.	6 gal.		
Grey Tank	42 gal.	42 gal.	42 gal.	42 gal.	42 gal.	42/40 gal.		
Black Tank	42 gal.	42 gal.	42 gal.	42 gal.	42 gal.	42/39 gal.		
Fresh Tank	67 gal.	67 gal.	67 gal.	67 gal.	55 gal.	55 gal.		
Fuel Tank	75 gal.	75 gal.	75 gal.	75 gal.	75 gal.	75 gal.		
LP Tank*	33 gal.	33 gal.	33 gal.	33 gal.	33 gal.	33 gal.		
(*Actual filled LP capacity is	80% of listing	due to safety s	hut off required	l on tank.)				

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ENGINE SPECS (FORD/WORKHORSE)

ENGINE SPECS FORD				
Engine Type	Ford V10 Gas Fuel Injection			
Engine Size	6.8L V10			
Cubic Inch Displacement	415			
Tire Size	245/70RX19.5F			
Fuel Tank (Approx. Gal)	75			
Alternator (Amp)	130			
Rear Axle Ratio	5.38:1			

ENGINE SPECS WORKHORSE CHASSIS				
ENGINE SPECS	7.4 L V8 or I.1L V8			
Cubin Inch Displacement	454 or 497			
Tire Size	235/80RX 22.5G or 245/70R x 19.5F			
Fuel Tank (Approx. Gal)	60 or 75			
Alternator (Amp)	Not Available at Time of Print			
Rear Axle Ratio	4.63:1 or 5.38:1			
Overdrive	Standard			

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Tire Blocking When Leveling

Tire "Support" Methods

INCORRECT

Singles
Only a portion of the tire is supporting the full load.

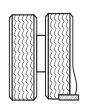




Duals

One tire or a portion of one tire is supporting the full load.



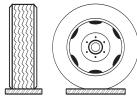


One tire or a portion of the two tires supporting the full load.



CORRECT

Singles

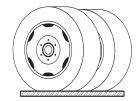


Tire Footprints



Duals





Dual Tire Footprints





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MAINTENANCE RECORD

After scheduled services are performed, record the date, odometer reading and who performed the service in the boxes provided after the maintenance interval. Any additional information from "Owner Checks and Services" or "Periodic Maintenance" can be added on the following record pages. In addition, you should retain all maintenance receipts. Your owner information portfolio is a convenient place to store them.

Date	Mileage	Dealer Address	Service Remarks

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MAINTENANCE RECORD

Date	Mileage	Dealer Address	Service Remarks

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MAINTENANCE RECORD

Date	Mileage	Dealer Address	Service Remarks

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

- **AC Electricity -** Alternating current also known as household power.
- **Ampere (Amp)** The unit of measure of electron flow rate of current through a circuit.
- **Ampere-hour (Amp-hr. AH)** A unit of measure for a battery electrical storage capacity, obtained by multiplying the current in amperes by the time in hours of discharge (Example: a battery which delivers 5 amperes for 20 hours, delivers 5 amperes times 20 hours, or 100 Amp-Hr. of capacity.)
- **Black Water -** Term associated with the sewage holding tank. The toilet drains directly into this tank.
- **British Thermal Unit (BTU)** The amount of heat required to raise or lower the temperature of one pound of water by 1° F.
- Chassis Battery Powers chassis 12V accessories and starts engine.
- **Circuit** An electric circuit is the path of an electric current. A closed circuit has a complete path. An open circuit has a broken or disconnected path.
- **City Water -** A term associated with the water supply that you hook-up to when you are at campgrounds. It is called city water because you pull water from a central source (like in a city) and not the fresh water tank.
- **Curbside** This refers to the side of the motorhome which faces the curb when it is parked. Often called the door side.
- **Current (Alternating) (AC)** A current that varies periodically in magnitude and direction. A battery does not deliver alternating current. Also referred to as shore power, utility power, inverter power, generator power, etc.
- **Current -** The rate of flow of electricity or the movement rate of electrons along a conductor. It is comparable to the flow of a stream of water. The unit of measure for current is the ampere.
- **Cycle** In a battery, one discharge plus one recharge equals one cycle.
- **DC** Electricity Direct current also known as battery power.
- **Direct Current (DC) -** Power that is stored in a battery bank or supplied by photovoltaics, alternator, chargers and DC generators.
- **Drain Trap** This is a curve that is in all drains. Water is trapped in the curve and this creates a barrier so tank odors cannot escape through the drain.

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- **Dry Camping -** Camping in the motorhome when there is no city water hookup or shore power. In other words, using only the water and power that is in the motorhome and not anything from another source.
- **Dump Station -** Sites where you can drain your waste (grey) and sewage (black) tanks. In most states it is illegal to drain your tanks anywhere except at dump stations.
- **Dump Valve -** Another name for the T-handle valve used to drain the sewage (black) and waste (grey tanks).
- **Egress Window -** The formal name for the emergency window located in the rear of the motorhome. Egress windows can be easily identified by their red handles.
- **Full Hook-Up Site -** A campground that has city water, shore power and sewer hook-ups or connections available.
- **Grey Water -** Term associated with the waste water holding tank. Water from the sink drains, the shower and the washer/dryer (if equipped) go into this tank.
- **House Battery -** Powers 12V lights and accessories inside motorhome.
- **LED** (Light Emitting Diode) Indicator light.
- **Low Point -** The lowest point in the plumbing. Drains are placed here so that water will drain out of the lower end of the motorhome. These drains must be closed when you fill the water tank.
- **OHM** A unit for measuring electrical resistances.
- **Ohm's Law** Express the relationship between volt (E), amperes (I) in an electrical circuit with resistance (R). It can be expressed as follows: E = IR If any two of the three values are known, the third value can be calculated by using the above formula.
- **Road Side -** This refers to the side of the motorhome which faces the road when it is parked. Often called the off-door side.
- **Shore Line** This is the electrical cord which runs from the motorhome to the campground 120 volt electrical supply.
- **Shore Line Plug -** This is the 120 volt outlet that plugs the motorhome into a campground.

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- **Stinger -** An arm attachment on a tow truck that is used to lift motorhome slightly so that it can be towed.
- **Volt** The unit of measure for electric potential.
- **Watt** The unit for measuring electrical power, i.e., the rate of doing work, in moving electrons by or against an electric potential.
- **Wet Cell Battery** A type of battery that uses liquid as an electrolyte. This type of battery requires periodic maintenance such as cleaning the connections and checking the electrolyte level.

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