**Travel Prep Checklists**

**T-24hrs Before Departure:**

This list can be done casually any time the day before traveling:

Dump/Flush REAR Black Tank

Secure REAR Dump Hose (less stuff to stow on departure day)

TREAT REAR Black Tank

Dump/Flush FRONT black tank (we leave this hooked up as it’s also the dump for Gray 1 & 2, the hose is also under the slide)

TREAT FRONT Black Tank

Fuel the truck (it is much simpler to fuel without the rig attached), top off DEF as needed

Check all fluids in the Truck (Oil, Brake fluid, Coolant, Steering fluid)

Inspect HITCH bolts and connectors, including hitch head retaining pins, etc.

Inspect Rig wheels and suspension (Torque lug nuts once a month 100 foot-pounds for our rig) just a general visual inspection of the leaf springs, attachment points, etc. looking for anything amiss (grease all fittings once a month)

Clean Stabilizer Jacks (wipe down with cleaner, remove dust, dirt, salt, etc.)

Check Rig and Truck tires (inflation, general inspection – a Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) makes this a simple task. Our truck and rig are both set to 80psi)

Sweep anything off the top of the rig and slides - inspect roof

Fill freshwater tank (% based on next location – usually just 1/3 tank unless boondocking)

Check Pin Box

Check Radios/Charge as needed

Run the generator (exercise 20-30min) while prepping to leave (if etiquette allows)

Generator OFF

**T-12hrs Before Departure:**

This list I do the Night before departure:

Secure all outside items (rug, chairs, etc.)

Plan route and set address into Garmin RV GPS

Garage: Secure garage entrance door (stow steps, lock door)

Garage: Rear bathroom vent closed and lights off

Garage: Rear bathroom secure and door closed

Garage: Desk in stow position

Garage: Rollup and stow rugs

Garage: Set wheel-dock in place and tie downs ready

Load the Bike (if possible) and strap down loosely

Secure patio/loading door

Dump Gray Tanks and treat (Close all gate valves after dumping)

**T-0 Departure Day:**

This list is completed the morning of departure:

Bedroom secure and stow all items (closet door latched, bed in the up position, stow Fire Extinguisher)

Bedroom windows closed and shades up

Bedroom slide in

Bedroom AC and lights OFF

Bathroom shower secure and door latched

Bathroom vent closed

Bathroom doors latched

Bathroom lights OFF

Garage: Secure (blinds up, patio doors latched, garage door locked, rugs rolled up)

Garage: Motorcycle straps tightened down

Garage: Rear A/C and lights OFF

Living room secure (refrigerator doors shut and latched, carpets stowed, all drawers and cabinets closed)

Pantry door closed

Windows closed / blinds up

One-Control items off (water pump, water heater, all lights)

Slides: one last check for obstacles inside and out

Slides: Retract with door, vent, or window open for air flow

Secure main entrance (stow steps, lock door, secure hand hold)

Remove Ring Doorbell Cam and charge for next location

Turn OFF all LP Tanks

**HITCHING Checklist (Time to roll!):**

This is BY FAR the most important checklist. Missing steps here can cause severe damage to the rig and/or truck, and possibly even injuries. There are some redundancies on this list, but it’s good to double check some things from the outside.

T-24, T-12, T-0 Checklists Complete

RIG: Pin Lock Removed

RIG: Jacks/Stabilizers to TOW HEIGHT (Middle and Rear Retracted)

TRUCK: TPMS ON

TRUCK: Tailgate DOWN

TRUCK: Back ALMOST to pin-box

RIG: Adjust Kingpin height to proper hitch height of truck

TRUCK: OPEN Hitch Latch

TRUCK: Back truck into Kingpin

TRUCK: Visually check KINGPIN LOCK BAR IS LOCKED insert safety pin

TRUCK: Connect Electrical cord and Breakaway cable

RIG: Lower Rig with Front landing gear to pull test height (front jacks 1” off the ground)

TRUCK: Put into Tow/Haul Mode and Mirrors EXTENDED

TRUCK: Check that trailer brake is adjusted, and trailer is connected in Chevy system.

TRUCK: PULL TEST (manually engage trailer brakes and try to pull away SLOW).

TRUCK: Put the truck in park – Set parking brake – Turn OFF the engine.

RIG: Retract ALL on landing gear

TRUCK: Close Tailgate

RIG: Remove and stow wheel chocks and landing gear blocks

RIG: Check and close ALL storage doors and lock them

RIG: Check that LP Tanks are OFF

TRUCK: Lights ON

TRUCK: Validate TPMS reads all tires and validate pressure / temperature

TRUCK & RIG: Verity all lights are operable (turn signals, brake, reverse, hazard)

TRUCK & RIG: Full Walk-around (check everything one last time – everything secured, stowed, locked, etc.)

TRUCK: Reset Trip Meter

TRUCK: RV GPS ON with location loaded

TRUCK: Parking Brake OFF, All tech ON

**GO TIME – Safe Travels**