



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: Verify 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

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