RV MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST



MONTHLY

☐ RUN YOUR GENERATOR

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

☐ TOP OFF BATTERIES

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

☐ CLEAN THE A/C

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

☐ PEEK UNDER THE HOOD

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

☐ TEST SAFETY EQUIPMENT

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

☐ KEEP PESTS OUT

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

☐ CARE FOR SLIDEOUTS

If you're traveling in a unit with slideouts, lightly re-lubricate the mechanism to help them move smoothly and protect against rust or corrosion. There are also dedicated sprays to help easily reinforce the seals, if needed.

☐ CHECK YOUR SEALS

Take a look at exterior sealants and re-seal any voids, cracks or separation.

SEASONAL

□ DEEP CLEAN

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

☐ INSPECT FOR DAMAGE

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

☐ WAX ON

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

☐ FILTER YOUR WATER

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

□ WEIGH YOUR RV

It can be super helpful to occasionally weigh your trip-ready RV and even each individual wheel to easily identify potential problem areas in your load. You can head to a local weigh station or check RV rallies and clubs that offer opportunities to weigh your RV.

☐ EXAMINE TIRES

Check tire pressure and wear and tear to keep your RV safe.

☐ CHECK YOUR SEALS

Take a closer look at your exterior seals, especially roof seals, every two or three months.

☐ TREAT METALS

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

ANNUAL

□ KEEP TRACK

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

☐ STAY COOL

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

☐ SERVICE BRAKES

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

☐ TEST SAFETY EQUIPMENT

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

☐ INSPECT YOUR PROPANE

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

☐ CHECK YOUR SEALS

Since seal "lifetimes" and environmental factors vary, it's recommended to review these and consider resealing the key exterior areas of your RV.