

Motorhome Pre-departure Safety Checks.

USE THIS HANDY GUIDE BEFORE YOU HIT THE ROAD, AND ONCE YOU ARRIVE AT YOUR DESTINATION.

- Check Registration, RUC (Road User Charges), Certificate or Warrant of Fitness
- Check your insurance is current
- Is your licence current, fit for purpose and accessible?
- Check fuel, water, oil, tyre pressures and gas bottle/s are full
- Is water tank full, grey water empty and toilet cassette empty?
- Turn all gas bottles off
- Ensure that the mains 230v-cable is stored in bag/locker
- Are there any other external connections to check out? i.e. bike rack, bikes & covers
- Ensure that the Awning is fully retracted and locked in position
- Put away any outdoor furniture or mats
- Check that stabiliser legs are wound up & secured (or scissor-jacks in storage)
- Check fridge set for 12v or off (not "gas") make sure you are parked on the level when using "gas" in parked-up position
- Interior lights and water pump are off
- Carefully inspect the van for any contents that may slide (include inside cupboards) and move oven trays to bedroom
- Check all latches & push buttons (ensure all cupboards, fridge, shower doors, etc. are locked or closed)
- Ensure all windows and roof vents are locked/closed (don't forget the bathroom)
- Check that Modem & TV are secured, covered and the satellite dish is down
- Check that Inverter is off
- Ensure all roman-blinds, Seitz window screens are open and locked
- Are any required keys stored in a safe place before heading off?
- Windshield is clean?
- Are the front swivel seats locked facing forward and backs are up?
- Rear camera working?
- Entry step retracted?
- Navman turned on and set before heading off?
- Ensure the main entry door is locked, but double check you have the keys on you?
- Come off levelling blocks and remember to store them
- Always check your surroundings for overhanging objects and obstacles before moving your vehicle

Motorhome Arrival Checks.

- Consider the motorhome location:
 - Contour of the land
 - TV reception
 - Can you move out if required, even after other campers have arrived around you?

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