



WINTERIZING & STORAGE PROCEDURES

(Winterizing can be a complicated procedure. This document covers the generic basics ONLY.)



WARNING: To ensure your unit is properly winterized, it is recommended that a trained RV Service Technician should perform these procedures.

1. Drain all storage tanks, fresh water/waste water tank(s) & water heater.
2. By-pass the water heater. This allows antifreeze to be pumped through the hot water lines WITHOUT filling the water heater. Most RVs are equipped with by-pass valves located on the back (inside) of the water heater. If there is no by-pass kit, this may be purchased aftermarket or you can disconnect the inlet/outlet fittings & join them together to provide a temporary by-pass.
3. Prepare to pump the antifreeze direct from the jug. Some units are equipped with a quick turn antifreeze pump valve kit. If there is no antifreeze pump valve kit, they may be purchased aftermarket or you can manually disconnect the tubing on the inlet side (from the fresh water tank) of the pump & attach a short piece of tubing to the pump & insert it into the anti-freeze jug.
4. Turn on the pump to pressurize the system. Start at the furthest fixture & turn on the hot & cold-water taps, one at a time, until antifreeze colorant appears. Fixtures include:

a) Bathroom sink faucets	b) Bathtub faucets	c) Shower head & hose
d) Kitchen sink faucets	e) Toilet	f) Outside shower
5. The following items require specialized procedures. Refer to your owner's manual.

a) Water filters	b) Icemakers	c) Washer/Dryers
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6. Turn pump off. Open one tap to depressurize system & close. Remove city water inlet "O" ring & screen (if equipped) & gently push in the check valve until antifreeze appears. NOTE: Antifreeze might "squirt out" & some city water configurations require specialized procedures.
7. Pour anti-freeze down all drains (sinks, bathtub, & optional washer/dryer.) Re-attach all tubing & leave all drain valves open & by-pass valves in the by-pass position throughout the winter months.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Remove all batteries & store them in a dry, ventilated area & not on a concrete floor. Charge the batteries every 4 to 6 weeks. Never store or charge batteries in a living space or near any source of combustion. Batteries can produce explosive & toxic gases.



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