

# Camping Checklist - Trailer Winterization

## **Winterize** | water system

- Assure that a dump station was visited after last campsite
  - ▶ If not, take to Rice Creek Chain of Lakes and pay fee to dump
  - ▶ Flush using backwash attachment
- Drain the fresh water holding tank
  - ▶ Drain is located near driver side behind wheels
  - ▶ Open the kitchen faucet to allow air into system for better drainage
- Drain the water heater
  - ▶ Relieve the water pressure on water heater using relief valve
  - ▶ Remove the water heater drain plug (15/16")
- Open all hot and cold faucets including inside and outside showers
- Open the low point drain valves until water is completely drained
- Close all drains and faucets
- Bypass the water heater
  - ▶ The valves are located under the couch
- Place the siphon tube (also located under the couch) into the antifreeze bottle
- Turn on the water pump and pressurize the system.
- Starting with the bathroom sink, slowly open individually the cold and hot faucets until antifreeze appears. Move to the tub, kitchen sink, and outside shower.
  - ▶ Replace the antifreeze container, as required
- Flush the toilet until antifreeze appears
- Turn off the water pump and remove the siphon tube from the antifreeze bottle.
- Open the kitchen faucet to release the pressure
- Pour about a cupful of antifreeze into each drain
- Pour a couple of cups into the toilet and flush into the holding tank
- Make sure all faucets are closed

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## **Winterize** | exterior

- Assure that the awning is dry
- Install tire covers

## **Winterize** | Electrical and interior

- Assure all lights are turned off
- Remove battery to basement
  - ▶ Put battery on maintainer in furnace room
- Assure gas tanks are turned off
- Install 7-pin cord cover
- Remove smoke detector battery
- Close all drapes
- Remove all fluids (and list for replacement)
- Remove textiles especially blankets
- Block open refrigerator
- Close oven fan vent