

Storing Your RV

Between trips, the following steps can be taken to protect your RV from the elements, keep pests out and make preparing for the next trip easier:

- 1. Empty the holding tanks.*
- 2. Add one pound of baking soda to the black water tank. Add several gallons of fresh water to the gray and black tanks.*
- 3. Remove all perishable food from cabinets.*
- 4. Turn off the refrigerator, making sure the refrigerator circuits are off.*
- 5. Remove all food from the refrigerator and leave the door open.*
- 6. Clean the interior of the RV.*
- 7. Close and lock all windows and vents.*
- 8. Pull shades and close blinds. Shades should be stored in the up position to retain the pleats. If left down, the pleats will sag.*
- 9. Turn off the propane cylinders and cover the regulator.*
- 10. Check all compartment access ports for electric and water to make sure they are closed.*
- 11. Close and lock all compartment doors.*
- 12. Place wheel chocks to keep RV from moving*
- 13. Cover the tires, if they will be exposed to the sun.*
- 14. Disconnect battery to preserve battery charge and extend life of the battery.*

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