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## Pre-Drive RV Checklist

1. Engine Compartment
  - a. Fluid levels: oil, engine coolant, brake fluid, transmission fluid, any specific fluids i.e. hydraulic
  - b. Belts: check for cracks or loose fitting
  - c. Check for leaks in, around, and under the engine
  - d. Check for debris lodged in or around engine components i.e. leaves
  - e. Check radiator for debris and damaged coils
  - f. Check all hoses for cracks, leaks, and tight fit
  - g. Check battery if applicable to engine compartment for fluid, corrosion, and tight connection
  - h. Diesel engines
    - a. Check air filter indicator
    - b. Air tank moisture
2. Tires (check cold, 3 hours without usage)
  - a. Sidewall cracks
  - b. Tread depth – 4/32 steering tires, 2/32 others
  - c. Rims/bead for damage
  - d. Valve stem, cap, and extensions
  - e. Proper air pressure
3. External Lights
  - a. Headlights
  - b. Fog lights
  - c. Clearance lights
  - d. Driving lights if applicable
  - e. Parking lights
  - f. Turn signals front, back, and side
  - g. Docking lights
  - h. Tail lights/brake lights
  - i. Emergency flashers
  - j. Reflectors
4. Glass
  - a. Mirrors – check to ensure they are secure, clean, and adjusted properly/working for electric
  - b. Windshield – clean inside and out, check for cracks or rock chips
  - c. Clean all brake lights, turn signals, backup lights, and headlamps
  - d. Windshield wipers – ensure they are working, good blades, and fluid
5. Exterior Walk Around

- a. Awnings – retracted and locked
  - b. Slides – retracted and secured
  - c. Jacks – retracted
  - d. Hookups – disconnected, stowed, and compartment secured
  - e. Compartments – all items stowed, secured, lights off, compartments shut, and locked
  - f. Visual Inspection Under Coach - Check for loose items i.e. lawn chairs
  - g. Check for rocks, logs, or large items
  - h. Look for any fluid leaks
  - i. Check chassis for loose equipment or wiring
  - j. Height – look for any possible obstruction while leaving
  - k. Noises – with the engine running, check for unusual noises
  - l. Shut of propane at the tank
  - m. House Battery – check fluid level, corrosion, and connection
  - n. Electric Step – check to ensure steps are stowed
6. Towed Vehicle
- a. Tow bar connection – check connection at the motorhome, at the vehicle, and safety chains
  - b. Lights – ensure proper turn signals, brake lights, and emergency flashers
  - c. Tire pressure – ensure proper inflation, sidewall condition, tread depth
  - d. Proper towing procedure – i.e. unit is in neutral, fuses removed etc
  - e. Emergency brake – disengaged
  - f. Auxiliary braking system – unit is operating properly
  - g. Lock the doors
7. Interior Walk Around
- a. TV antenna – retracted
  - b. Secure all loose items inside the unit
  - c. Close all doors and cabinet drawers
  - d. Verify driver's license, registration, and proof of insurance
  - e. Check First Aid Kits, fire extinguishers, smoke and CO alarms
  - f. Emergency Information – prepare a list of emergency phone numbers, personal information i.e. contact person, medication and dosage
8. Buckle Up!