

# Essential RV Maintenance Checklist

*Keep Your Home on Wheels Running Smoothly with Our Seasonal Guide*

RV Model/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Updated: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Monthly Maintenance Tasks

Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Tire Inspection

- ☐ Check tire pressure (including the spare)
- ☐ Inspect for cracks, bulges, or uneven wear
- ☐ Ensure lug nuts are properly torqued

### 2. Battery Care

- ☐ Test battery voltage (should be 12.6V when fully charged)
- ☐ Clean terminals and check for corrosion
- ☐ Ensure water levels are adequate in non-sealed batteries

### 3. Propane System

- ☐ Inspect propane hoses and connections for leaks (use soapy water to test)
- ☐ Verify all appliances are functioning correctly

#### 4. Safety Systems

- ☐ Test smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, and fire extinguishers
- ☐ Replace batteries if needed

#### 5. Water System

- ☐ Flush and sanitize water tanks
- ☐ Check for leaks in plumbing lines

#### 6. Generator

- ☐ Run the generator for at least 30 minutes under load
- ☐ Check oil levels and replace filters as needed

#### Monthly Notes:

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### Seasonal Maintenance Tasks

#### Spring

Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

##### 1. Roof Inspection

- ☐ Clean and inspect the roof for cracks, tears, or loose seals
- ☐ Reapply sealant around vents, AC units, and skylights

## 2. Awning Care

- ☐ Clean and inspect the awning fabric for mold or tears
- ☐ Lubricate moving parts and check for proper operation

## 3. Air Conditioning

- ☐ Clean or replace air filters
- ☐ Test the system before summer travel

## 4. Interior Cleaning

- ☐ Deep clean carpets, upholstery, and storage compartments
- ☐ Check for pest infestations (e.g., rodents or insects)

### Spring Notes:

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## Summer

Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Cooling Systems

- ☐ Inspect refrigerator vents and clean condenser coils
- ☐ Ensure fans and vents are free of debris

### 2. Exterior Wash

- ☐ Wash the exterior to remove dirt, bugs, and road grime
- ☐ Wax the surface to protect against UV damage

### 3. Brakes and Suspension

- ☐ Inspect brake pads and rotors
- ☐ Check suspension components for wear

### 4. Electrical System

- ☐ Test all lights (interior and exterior)
- ☐ Inspect wiring for fraying or damage

#### Summer Notes:

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## Fall

Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Winterization Preparation

- ☐ Drain and flush freshwater, gray water, and black water tanks
- ☐ Add antifreeze to pipes and traps

### 2. Heating System

- ☐ Test the furnace and replace filters
- ☐ Inspect ductwork for leaks or blockages

### 3. Seals and Gaskets

- ☐ Inspect door and window seals for gaps
- ☐ Replace worn gaskets to prevent drafts

### 4. Storage Preparation

- ☐ Clean and dry interior surfaces
- ☐ Store cushions and fabrics in airtight bags

#### Fall Notes:

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## Winter

Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Engine Care

- ☐ Change engine oil and filter
- ☐ Inspect belts and hoses for wear

### 2. Rodent Prevention

- ☐ Seal gaps or openings where pests could enter
- ☐ Use natural deterrents like peppermint oil

### 3. Battery Storage

- ☐ Disconnect and store batteries in a cool, dry place
- ☐ Charge periodically to prevent deep discharge

#### **4. Tires and Axles**

- ☐ Cover tires to prevent UV damage
- ☐ Jack up the RV to relieve pressure on tires and axles

#### **Winter Notes:**

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### **Additional Tips for Mature Travelers**

#### **Emergency Preparedness**

- ☐ Maintain a roadside assistance kit with jumper cables, tire repair kit, and basic tools
- ☐ Keep emergency contact information and roadside assistance numbers accessible

#### **Health and Safety**

- ☐ Regularly check and restock first aid kit
- ☐ Store medications in appropriate conditions
- ☐ Keep a list of nearby medical facilities along your route

#### **Technology**

- ☐ Update RV navigation apps before trips
- ☐ Check that GPS systems have the latest maps with RV-specific routes

☐ Consider a backup navigation method

## Community Support

☐ Join RV clubs or online forums for advice and camaraderie

☐ Share maintenance tips and learn from fellow RVers

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## Service Record

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Service/Maintenance Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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