

TOWING PREPERATION GUIDE

1. Check all loose articles are stowed away securely
2. Close and secure lockers/cupboards/doors
3. Table – locked down tight for travel
4. Lights – Roof lights and reading lamps are switched off and secure
5. Make sure the windows are fully closed and locked
6. Open roof vent if travelling down dry dirt road
7. Check the refrigerator is switched to 12v/DC & you may need to internal switch power to DC and lock door to fridge
8. Lock the caravan door
9. Check the gas bottle is off and secure
10. Make sure there are no items packed in gas bottle area
11. Remove water hose, stow hose away and lock cap (if possible)
12. Disconnect sullage hose, flush and stow away
13. Disconnect any 240v power leads & stow away
14. Secure awning arms, pull down roof if pop-top and lock any roof clamps into place
15. Lock boot locker and/or front window shade into place - if applicable
16. Check tyre pressures are correct
17. Check and tighten wheel nuts
18. Fully raise all 4 stabilizing legs and stow away handle
19. Hitch the caravan to car, and then lock the catch onto ball.
Ensure towing aids are fitted – the van & vehicle must have the correct towing aids, fitted and the van is sitting in line with the vehicle

20. Remove Park Brake and any wheel chocks
21. Connect safety chain and trailer plug (plus Brake Away lead if van is fitted with one)
22. Check all external lights are operative with vehicle- IE: brake lights & indicators
23. Remove the jockey wheel after lowering
24. Walk around, check the caravan to ensure nothing has been forgotten or left behind
25. Adjust tow mirrors and check brake control unit operative
26. Do not allow the fridge to be left on 12v/DC, when tow vehicle is connected and switched off – it will flatten the vehicle battery
27. Take it steady and adjust brake unit and or if required
28. Drive at the vehicles/states specified speed limit – no need to hurry.

Happy caravan and camping !!

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