

RV Setup Checklist: Campsite Arrival and Hookup

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Site and rig

DATE

CAMPGROUND OR PARK

SITE NUMBER

ARRIVAL TIME

RV TYPE

RV SHORE-POWER INLET RATING (PLACARD)

PEDESTAL RECEPTACLE USED

OCCUPANTS (NAMES OR COUNT)

NIGHTS ON THIS SITE

☐ Owner's manual on board for hookups, jacks, and slides

☐ Weather and local emergency alerts enabled on phones (Ready.gov)

SITE OR HOOKUP NOTES

Site check				
Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Assigned or reserved site confirmed	☐	☐	☐	
Pad fits length, turning, and slide-outs	☐	☐	☐	
Look up for dead branches	☐	☐	☐	
Not in a low dip, ravine, or flood path	☐	☐	☐	
Wind, lightning, and storm exposure noted	☐	☐	☐	
Fire ring and cooking kept away from the RV	☐	☐	☐	
Pedestal, water riser, and sewer inlet located	☐	☐	☐	
Overhead clearance: trees and wires	☐	☐	☐	
Park rules for generators, slides, and quiet hours	☐	☐	☐	
Exit route and meeting plan if you must leave	☐	☐	☐	
Food storage and wildlife rules read	☐	☐	☐	

Level, chocks, and jacks				
Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Parking brake set, transmission in park or in gear as OEM specifies	☐	☐	☐	
Wheels chocked before unhitching a trailer	☐	☐	☐	

Side-to-side level per the owner's manual	☐	☐	☐	_____
Front-to-rear level (landing gear, tongue jack, or motorhome jacks)	☐	☐	☐	_____
Jack and landing-gear pads on firm ground	☐	☐	☐	_____
Stabilizer jacks down only as the OEM allows	☐	☐	☐	_____
Jacks within OEM travel and load, no twist on the frame	☐	☐	☐	_____
Chocks still tight after the coach settles	☐	☐	☐	_____
Tow vehicle parked and disconnected as planned	☐	☐	☐	_____

30-amp and 50-amp electric

Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Inlet rating matches the pedestal you will use	☐	☐	☐	_____
Shore-power cord in good condition and suitable gauge	☐	☐	☐	_____
Pedestal receptacle: no burn, melt, corrosion, or looseness	☐	☐	☐	_____
Open-ground and reverse-polarity check (if you have a 30/50-amp analyzer)	☐	☐	☐	_____
No ground-lifting adapter or damaged dog-bone	☐	☐	☐	_____
Pedestal breaker off to plug, fully seated, then on	☐	☐	☐	_____
Cord not under a mat, not pinched, not in standing water	☐	☐	☐	_____
GMI, EMS, or surge device allowed to complete its check	☐	☐	☐	_____
No tingle on metal skin, steps, or frame after power-up	☐	☐	☐	_____
Interior outlets and strips not overloaded	☐	☐	☐	_____
Generator outdoors, fumes away from ignition, never backfed	☐	☐	☐	_____

City water and regulator

Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Park water posted as potable, or you use tanks only	☐	☐	☐	_____
Drinking-water hose, clean, no cuts	☐	☐	☐	_____
City-water regulator installed per OEM and the device label	☐	☐	☐	_____
In-line filter oriented as the OEM or filter label shows	☐	☐	☐	_____
Riser off, connect, then open slowly and watch for leaks	☐	☐	☐	_____
Nothing non-potable added to the water system	☐	☐	☐	_____
City fill vs onboard tank selected as you intend	☐	☐	☐	_____
Winterizing hardware left out of this hookup	☐	☐	☐	_____

Sewer

Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Gloves on before you handle the sewer hose	☐	☐	☐	
Sewer hose sound, fittings seat, no splits	☐	☐	☐	
Both ends connected before any valve opens	☐	☐	☐	
Hose supported so it drains toward the inlet	☐	☐	☐	
Tanks emptied only at a dump station or lawful hookup	☐	☐	☐	
Holding-tank treatment is septic-safe if the park uses onsite treatment	☐	☐	☐	
Black and gray valves used as the OEM and park specify	☐	☐	☐	
Caps on when the hose is disconnected	☐	☐	☐	

Propane

Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Tank or cylinders: no dents, gouges, bulge, fire damage, or heavy rust	☐	☐	☐	
Containers upright, secured, valves reachable	☐	☐	☐	
No spare cylinder stored inside the coach	☐	☐	☐	
Visible hoses, pigtails, and regulator vent clear	☐	☐	☐	
Service valve opened slowly, then connections watched	☐	☐	☐	
Propane detector power and test	☐	☐	☐	
Everyone in the coach knows the tank shutoff	☐	☐	☐	
Slide-out propane flex lines free to move	☐	☐	☐	
Propane was off for the drive, then turned on only after parked	☐	☐	☐	
Appliances lit one at a time after the coach is aired if needed	☐	☐	☐	

Slides and awning

Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Coach level and chocked before rooms move	☐	☐	☐	
Slide path clear of tables, trees, pedestal, and the next site	☐	☐	☐	
Seals and visible utility lines checked before extend	☐	☐	☐	
Slides extended with the OEM switch, crank, or auto-level sequence	☐	☐	☐	
Awning: wind check, clear of branches, then locked	☐	☐	☐	
Entry steps and handrail secure	☐	☐	☐	
Entry door and emergency exits still open with rooms out	☐	☐	☐	

No-slide rig: mark extend rows N/A and still check steps and exits

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Interior start

Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors tested	☐	☐	☐	
Fire extinguisher charged and reachable	☐	☐	☐	
Water pump vs city-water valve set correctly	☐	☐	☐	
Water heater only after the tank has water	☐	☐	☐	
Refrigerator started on the mode you intend	☐	☐	☐	
Heat or A/C started within the inlet and pedestal rating	☐	☐	☐	
No 12-volt light left buried in clothes or bedding	☐	☐	☐	
Two exits known and unblocked	☐	☐	☐	
Go-bag or kit where you can grab it	☐	☐	☐	
Campground name, site number, and how to describe the location	☐	☐	☐	

Departure and teardown

Item	Done	Skip	N/A	Notes
Slides and awning retracted and locked	☐	☐	☐	
Propane shut at the tank for travel	☐	☐	☐	
Pedestal breaker off, cord unplugged and stowed	☐	☐	☐	
City water off, hose drained and stowed	☐	☐	☐	
Sewer dumped or closed, hose stowed, outlet capped	☐	☐	☐	
Stabilizers and jacks raised, pads picked up	☐	☐	☐	
Trailer hitch: coupler, chains or cables, breakaway, 7-way	☐	☐	☐	
Chocks removed only after the hitch or motorhome is ready to roll	☐	☐	☐	
Running lamps, brake lamps, and turns checked	☐	☐	☐	
Campfire drowned, stirred, and cold to the touch	☐	☐	☐	
Food, trash, and spills removed from the pad	☐	☐	☐	
If leaving under a warning: kit in the tow vehicle or cab, official route	☐	☐	☐	

Stay status and sign-off

ITEMS STILL SKIP, DEFECTS, OR HOOKUPS NOT USED

STAY STATUS

OPERATOR SIGNATURE

TIME SIGNED

☐ No hot-skin tingle, no propane odor, no sewage on the ground

OTHER COMMENTS

Reference only. Verify against the vehicle OEM procedure and applicable regulations.