

# TO THE OWNER

Congratulations! We welcome you to the exciting world of motor home travel and camping. You will find it convenient and enjoyable to have all the comforts of home and still enjoy the great outdoors wherever you choose to go.

Your Ultimate Freedom motor home has been carefully designed, engineered and manufactured to provide dependability as well as safety. Before sliding into the driver's seat, take a few minutes to become familiar with operations and features. This manual was prepared to aid you in the proper care and operation of the vehicle and equipment. We urge you to read it completely. In addition, spend some time with the dealer when you take delivery, you will want to learn all you can about your new motor home.

Your new Ultimate Freedom motor home is covered by a factory warranty against defects in material and workmanship. This warranty should be validated at once and returned to the factory by your dealer.

Read and understand all instructions and precautions in this manual before operating your new motor home. Throughout this manual, certain items are labeled NOTE, CAUTION and WARNING. These terms alert you to precautions that can involve risk to your vehicle or to your personal safety. Read and follow them carefully.

*NOTE: Indicates a special point of information.* 

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#### WARNING

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OWNER'S NAME
STREET ADDRESS
CITY AND STATE (OR PROVINCE IN CANADA)
MOTOR HOME SERIAL NUMBER
VEHICLE CHASSIS IDENTIFICATION NO. (VIN)
DATE OF DELIVERY TO FIRST RETAIL PURCHASER
VEHICLE MILEAGE AT TIME OF DELIVERY
SELLING DEALER NAME AND ADDRESS

TANK CAPACITIES					
	Freightliner Diesel Chassis Fuel Tank				
	LP Gas Tank				
## H	Fresh Water Tank				
	Water Heater				
<b>——</b>	Black Water Holding Tank (Toilet)				
	Gray Water Holding Tank (Galley, Shower & Lavatory)				

\*LP Gas tank capacity shown is the usable "full" LP gas capacity, which is 80% of the tank manufacturer's listed water capacity (w.c. shown in parenthesis). An LP tank must have at least 20% of tank volume free to allow for expansion and proper vaporization of the liquid fuel. The tank is also equipped with mandatory safety shut-off equipment that prevents filling above this level.



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# INTRODUCTION [ ]

Congratulations on the purchase of your new Ultimate Freedom motor home, which has been carefully designed, engineered and quality built by Winnebago Industries, Inc.



# ABOUT THIS MANUAL

Please read this operator's manual completely to understand how everything in your coach works before taking it on its "maiden voyage."

This manual is a guide to safe operation of the features, equipment and controls in this coach. Some equipment, such as the vehicle chassis and certain electronic systems or appliances, have their own comprehensive, manufacturer supplied manuals or information sheets which describe operation of these products in great detail. This manual will refer you to the manufacturer's information included in your Owner *INFOCASE* whenever necessary.

SUBJECT ICONS - To make it easier for you to find information you're looking for, we have placed convenient, pictorial symbols called "icons" beside many of the subject headings in this manual. The icons correspond to the subject matter of the section. These icons were designed similar to the familiar international symbols which identify public facilities such as restrooms and handicap access. There are several examples of icons on this page.

PAGE ICONS - The icons at the upper corners of each page correspond to the primary content of each main section of the manual, such as LP Gas, Electrical, Plumbing, etc. This means you can flip through the manual either forward or backward and know exactly which main section you are looking for just by watching the icons at the top of the page. This means less paging back and forth.

We also urge you to read the complete Chassis Operating Guide provided by the chassis maker and all other operating information provided by our equipment suppliers and manufacturers. This is contained in your Owner *INFOCASE*.

This manual should be kept in the vehicle at all times for personal reference. The operator's manual, *INFOCASE* and chassis operating guide are to be considered permanent components of this vehicle. They should remain in the vehicle when sold to provide the next owner with important safety, operating and maintenance information.

NOTE: The descriptions, illustrations, and specifications in this manual were correct at the time of printing. We reserve the right to change specifications or design without notice, and without incurring obligation to install the same on products previously manufactured.



# FREIGHTLINER CHASSIS OPERATING GUIDE

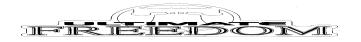
Throughout this manual, frequent reference is made to the vehicle chassis operating guide. The chassis guide is the operator's manual provided by Freightliner, the manufacturer of the chassis on which this motor home is built. Consult the chassis guide for operating safety and maintenance instructions pertaining to the chassis section of the motor home



# CATERPILLAR DIESEL ENGINE MANUAL

The diesel engine in your coach is built by the Caterpillar Engine Division of the respected Catepillar company. Consult the Caterpillar Operation and Maintenance Manual for information on all engine related topics such as engine maintenance, fluid level checks, capacities, and service parts, etc.







# **OWNER'S INFOCASE**

Your InfoCase contains information supplied by manufacturers of individual appliances and equipment installed in your motor home.

Consult this information regarding the operation and care of appliances, accessories and special equipment.

# **OPTIONS AND EQUIPMENT**

Some equipment described in this manual may not apply to your coach.



# **BEFORE DRIVING**

Before sitting in the driver's seat, always check around your vehicle to be sure you have proper clearance for maneuvering. If necessary, have a passenger help guide you out of a difficult parking space.

Although your coach features automotive conveniences like power steering and power brakes, driving a motor home is different from driving a car. A motor home is larger and heavier than an automobile, so it requires more stopping and passing distance, and more parking and maneuvering space than a car does.

Always be aware of the size of your motor home. The added height of TV antennas or luggage boxes may cause clearance problems around some tunnels, canopies and hanging signs. Know the height of your coach so you can observe posted clearance limits. Also, remember that some bridges, old ones in particular, may not support the weight of your motor home. Know the weight of your unit and observe any posted weight limits.

Remember: Always use your seat belt and be sure your passengers do so as well. We also advise making frequent rest stops while traveling to relieve stress on yourself, your passengers and your vehicle.



# SERVICE AND ASSISTANCE

Your Ultimate Freedom dealer will be glad to provide any additional information you need, as well as answer any questions you might have about operating the equipment in your motor home. When it comes to service, remember that your dealer knows your vehicle best and is interested in your satisfaction. Your dealer will provide quality maintenance and any other assistance that you may require during your ownership of this vehicle.

If you need warranty repairs while traveling, however, you may take your motor home to any Winnebago or Itasca dealership and they will assist you.



# **WARRANTY**

Your new Ultimate Freedom is covered by a factory warranty against defects in material and workmanship. This warranty should be validated immediately and returned to the factory by your dealer. For additional information, see your "New Vehicle Limited Warranty" included with this vehicle.



# DRINKING AND DRIVING

Winnebago Industries supports the recommendations of the Presidential Commission on Drunk Driving.

- Exercise your good judgment and encourage others to do the same.
- Know the legal limits and do not exceed them.
- Also know your personal limits, which may be lower than the legal limits.
- Should you ever exceed your limits, find alternative transportation; call a cab, ask a friend to drive you home or call a family member to come and get you.



The presence of alcohol in significant levels in the blood increases the probability that the driver will be involved in an accident.

### REPORTING SAFETY DEFECTS

If you believe that your vehicle has a defect which could cause a crash or could cause injury or death, you should immediately inform the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in addition to notifying Winnebago Industries, Inc.

If NHTSA receives similar complaints, it may open an investigation, and if it finds that a safety defect exists in a group of vehicles, it may order a recall and remedy campaign. However, NHTSA cannot become involved in individual problems between you, your dealer, or Winnebago Industries.

To contact NHTSA, you may either call the Auto Safety Hotline toll-free at 1-800-424-9393 (or 366-0123 in Washington, D.C. area) or write to: NHTSA, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590. You can also obtain other information about motor vehicle safety from the Hotline.





### VEHICLE CERTIFICATION LABEL

This label contains vehicle identification and other important reference information. The vehicle certification label is located on the sidewall to the left of the steering wheel, or on the driver's door. Never remove or destroy this label.

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### **EXPLANATION OF DATA**

- 1. Chassis manufacturer.
- 2. Chassis manufacture date.
- 3. Month and year of manufacture at Winnebago Industries.
- 4. Gross Vehicle Weight Rating: Total permissible weight of the vehicle, including driver, passengers, total cargo carried (including all liquids) and equipped with all options.
- 5. Gross Axle Weight Rating: Total permissible weight allowed for the front, intermediate\* and rear axles (listed in pounds and kilograms).
- Suitable Tire Choice: Tires recommended to meet handling and safety requirements.
   When replacing any of the tires on your vehicle, always replace with a tire that meets these specifications.
- 7. Suitable Rim Choice: Wheel rims recommended to meet handling and safety requirements. When replacing any of the rims on your vehicle, always replace with a rim that meets these specifications.
- 8. Cold Inflation Pressure: Inflation pressures recommended (while Cold) for the tires originally equipped on your vehicle. These pressure levels must be maintained to assure proper handling, safety and fuel economy.

- 9. Intermediate\* and Rear Axle Wheel Configuration: Single or Dual.
- Serial Number: This is the serial number assigned to the completed vehicle by Winnebago Industries.
- 11. Vehicle Identification Number (VIN): This number identifies the chassis on which the motor home is built.
- 12. Type: States the NHTSA designated usage classification for your motor home. MPV signifies a Multi-purpose Passenger Vehicle.
- 13. Model: Lists the Winnebago product model number of your vehicle.
- 14. Color: Signifies the color code number of the decor used throughout the vehicle. This number is necessary for ordering replacement cushions, curtains, carpet, etc.

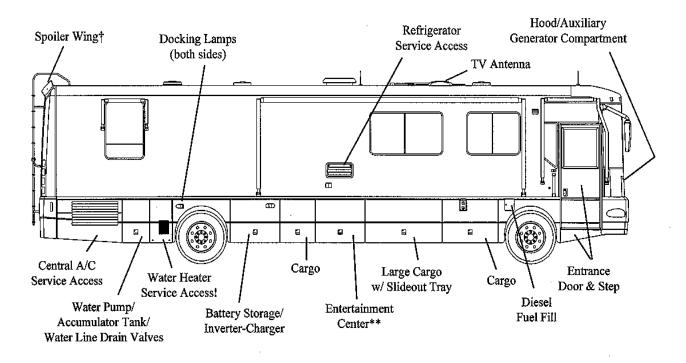
\*Intermediate (INT) data applies only to Class-A models equipped with tag axle.

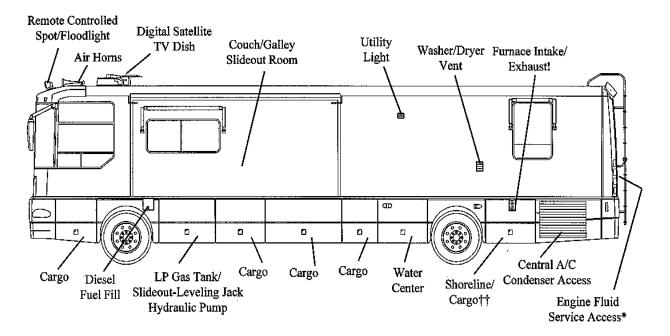




#### **EXTERIOR FEATURE IDENTIFICATION**

Composite model shown for illustration purposes only. Actual locations of features depends on coach model and options.





NOTE: Some equipment shown may be optional.

- \*Also contains diesel fuel filter/water separator.
- \*\*Also contains optional freezer unit if equipped.

†Spoiler wing also contains rear monitor camera and clearance marker lights.

†† Also contains Cable TV and Phone hookups and engine block heater plug-in.

!Be Careful! Exhaust outlet surface may become HOT while using furnace or water heater.



# SECTION 1 A SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

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#### **CAUTION**

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#### WARNING

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Listed below are some safety precautions that must be adhered to. These precautions as well as others that involve damage to equipment are also listed in the appropriate areas in this manual.



# **GENERAL WARNINGS**

- Only seats equipped with seat belts are to be occupied while the vehicle is moving.
- All seats which can be positioned, such as swiveling, sliding, reclining, or footrest out, must be placed in a fully upright and swivellocked position with footrests retracted while the vehicle is moving. Some swivel lounge chairs are designed to lock in a forward facing position, while others lock in an aisle facing position. Be certain these seats are secure from swiveling before traveling.
- Make sure all passengers have seat belts fastened in a low and snug position so the force

exerted by the belt in a collision will be spread across the strong hip area. Pregnant women should wear a lap-shoulder belt whenever possible, with the lap belt portion worn low and snug throughout the pregnancy.

- Never let passengers stand or kneel on seats while the vehicle is moving.
- Sleeping facilities are not to be utilized while vehicle is moving.
- Examine the escape window and be familiar with its operation, but do not use except in an emergency.
- Inspect the fire extinguisher monthly for proper charge and operating condition. This should also be done before beginning a vacation or any extended trip.



# DRIVING

- Do not attempt to adjust the driver's seat while the vehicle is moving.
- Do not adjust tilt steering in a moving vehicle.
- Do not operate the cruise control on icy or extremely wet roads, winding roads, in heavy traffic, or in any other traffic situation where a constant speed cannot be maintained.
- Use care when accelerating or decelerating on a slippery surface. Abrupt speed changes can cause skidding and loss of control.
- Driving through water deep enough to wet the brakes may affect stopping distance or cause the vehicle to pull to one side. Check brake operation in a safe area to be sure they have not been affected. Never operate any



vehicle if a difference in braking efficiency is noticeable.

 Adverse weather conditions and extremes in terrain may affect handling and/or performance of your vehicle. Refer to your chassis manual for related information.



# **FUEL & LP GAS**



- All pilot lights must be extinguished and appliances turned off while refilling the fuel tank or LP tank.
- Never smoke while refilling vehicle fuel tank or LP gas tank.
- Avoid inhaling exhaust gases produced by burned gasoline, diesel fuel or LP gas in items such as the range, chassis engine, generator engine, refrigerator, furnace and water heater. They contain carbon monoxide, which is an odorless, colorless and poisonous gas.
- Do not bring or store LP gas containers, gasoline or other flammable liquids inside the vehicle because a fire or explosion may result. LP gas containers are equipped with safety valves which relieve excessive pressure by discharging gas to the atmosphere.
- Do not alter the LP gas system at any time or in any way.
- Do not fill LP gas container(s) above 80 percent of capacity. Overfilling the LP gas container can result in uncontrolled gas flow which can cause fire or explosion. A properly filled container will contain approximately 80 percent of its volume as liquid LP gas.
- Never use an open flame to test for LP gas leaks. Replace all protective covers and caps on LP system after filling. Make sure valve is closed and door latched securely.

- Never connect natural gas to the LP gas system.
- When lighting range burners do not turn burner controls to "On" and allow gas to escape before lighting match.
- Portable fuel-burning equipment, including wood and charcoal grills and stoves, shall not be used inside the recreational vehicle. The use of this equipment inside the recreational vehicle may cause fires or asphyxiation.
- LP gas regulators must always be installed with the diaphragm vent facing downward. Regulators are equipped with a protective cover. Make sure that the regulator vent faces downward and that the cover is kept in place to minimize vent blockage which could result in excessive gas pressure causing fire or explosion.
- The following warning label is located in the cooking area to remind you to provide an adequate supply of fresh air for combustion.

# WARNING

IT IS NOT SAFE TO USE COOKING.
APPLIANCES FOR COMFORT HEATING

COOKING APPLIANCES NEED FRESH AIR FOR SAFE OPERATION

1. OPEN OVERHEAD VENT OR TURN ON EXHAUST FAN AND;

Unlike large homes, the oxygen supply inside a recreational vehicle is limited due to its size. To avoid danger of axphyxiation, provide proper ventilation when using the gas rangetop or gas oven. It is especially important that the gas oven and range top not be used for comfort heating. Danger of asphyxiation is greater when these appliances are used for long periods of time.





# LP GAS LEAKS

The following label is located in the vehicle near the range area. If you smell gas within the vehicle, quickly and carefully perform the procedures listed.

#### IF YOU SMELL GAS

- 1. Extinguish any open flames, pilot lights and all smoking materials.
- 2. Do not touch electrical switches.
- 3. Shut off the gas supply at the tank valve(s) or gas supply connection.
- 4. Open doors and other ventilating openings.
- 5. Leave the area until odor clears.
- 6. Have the gas system checked and leakage source corrected before using again.



# LP GAS ALARM

Your coach is equipped with an LP gas detector which sounds an alarm if an unsafe amount of LP gas is present inside the coach. Because LP gas is heavier than air, the detector is located on a cabinet face near the floor of the coach.



A green light on the face of the alarm shows when the unit is active. The red button is used to reset the alarm.



#### If The Alarm Sounds

If the alarm sounds, do not touch any electrical switches. Immediately turn off the main LP tank valve and all LP appliances, open all windows and roof vents, and leave the coach until the alarm stops sounding.

If the alarm keeps sounding at regular intervals, a leak may be present. Contact your dealer or an LP gas service center to have the problem corrected before using the LP system again.

If the coach batteries become extremely drained, an amber light on the face of the alarm will come on and in some cases the LP alarm may begin to sound on its own. This condition typically occurs only during storage situations when battery charge is not being restored by the inverter charger or solar charger.

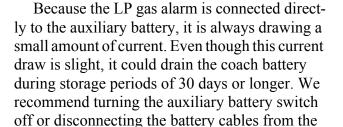
#### WARNING

Never use an open flame to test for gas leaks. When testing for gas line leaks with a soapy water solution, DO NOT use a detergent containing ammonia or chlorine. These substances may generate a chemical reaction causing corrosion to gas lines, resulting in dangerous leak conditions.

### **Power Connection**

The gas alarm is powered by the coach batteries. If the battery cable is disconnected from the batteries, auxiliary battery switch is shut off, or the circuit breaker is tripped, the alarm will not work. The LP gas alarm breaker is located on the coach breaker fuse panel shown on page 6-8.





auxiliary battery during extended storage periods

#### **Further Information**

to avoid discharge.

See the manufacturer's information entitled "Your LP Gas Detector" in the Owner's InfoCase for further instructions on nuisance alarms and care and testing of the LP gas detector.



# **ELECTRICAL**

- Careless handling of electrical components can be fatal. Never touch or use electrical components or appliances while feet are bare, while hands are wet, or while standing in water or on wet ground.
- Improper grounding of the vehicle can cause personal injury. Do not plug the utility power cord into an outlet which is not grounded and do not adapt the plug to connect to a receptacle for which it is not designed.
- Do not attach an extension cord to the utility power cord.
- Be sure that all electrical appliances to be used contain 3-prong plugs for proper grounding.
- Avoid overloading electrical circuits. Replace fuses or circuit breakers with those of the same size and amperage rating only.
   Never use a higher rated fuse or breaker.
- Use caution when handling or working near electrical storage batteries. Always remove jewelry and wear protective clothing and eye covering. Avoid creating sparks.



# **LOADING**

- Store or secure all loose items inside the motor home before traveling.
- Be aware of GVWR, GAWR and individual load limit on each tire or set of duals. (See "Loading the Vehicle" in Section 4.)
- Never load the motor home in excess of the gross vehicle weight rating or the gross axle weight rating for either axle.



# **MAINTENANCE**

- Do not remove the radiator cap while engine and radiator are still hot. Always check coolant level visually at the see-through coolant reservoir.
- Never get beneath a vehicle that is held up by a jack.
- Do not mix different construction types of tires on the vehicle such as radial, bias or belted tires, as vehicle handling may be affected. Replace tires with exact size, type and load range.
- Do not attempt to start the vehicle by hot wiring.



### FORMALDEHYDE INFORMATION

#### WARNING

Some components in this vehicle contain formaldehyde based adhesives which may release formaldehyde fumes into the air for an unknown period of time until total dissipation occurs. Individuals who are allergic to formaldehyde gas fumes may experience irritation to eyes, ears, nose and throat. Reaction in infants may be more severe. Although long range effects are not well understood, testing to date has not revealed any serious health effects in humans at the level of emission from these products.

#### **IMPORTANT**

To aid in dissipation, ventilate the vehicle by opening all windows and circulating the air with a fan.



# CARBON MONOXIDE WARNING

#### WARNING

Avoid inhaling exhaust gases, as they contain carbon monoxide, which is a colorless, odorless and poisonous gas.

If your suspect that exhaust fumes are entering the passenger compartment, have the cause determined and corrected as soon as possible. If you must drive under these conditions, drive only with ALL WINDOWS FULLY OPENED.

The best protection against carbon monoxide entry into the vehicle body is a properly maintained engine exhaust and ventilation system. It is recommended that the exhaust system and body be inspected by a qualified motor home service center.

• Each time the vehicle is raised for an oil change.

- Whenever a change in the sound of the exhaust system is noticed.
- Whenever the exhaust system, underbody or rear of the vehicle is damaged.

To allow proper operation of the vehicle's ventilation system, keep front ventilation inlet grill clear of snow, leaves or other obstructions at all times. DO NOT OCCUPY A PARKED VEHICLE WITH ENGINE RUNNING FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD.

Do not run engine in confined areas, such as a garage, except to move vehicle in or out of area. When vehicle is stopped in an UNCONFINED area with the engine running for any more than a short period, adjust heating or cooling system to force outside air into the vehicle as follows:

- 1. Set fan to medium or high speed and vent control to air.
- 2. On vehicles equipped with air conditioning, set fan to medium or high speed and set control to obtain maximum vent air.

Rear windows should be closed while driving to avoid drawing dangerous exhaust gases into the vehicle.



# CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM

Your coach is equipped with a carbon monoxide (CO) alarm, located on the ceiling in the bedroom area



The CO alarm is powered by a 9-volt battery and contains a sensor that is designed to detect toxic carbon monoxide gas fumes resulting from

incomplete combustion of fuel. It will detect CO gas from any combustion source such as the furnace, gas range/oven, water heater, refrigerator, chassis engine, and electric generator engine.

### **Monthly Testing**

Press the TEST button on the face of the alarm periodically (at least monthly) to check the function of the alarm and condition of the battery. If the alarm begins to beep every few seconds, the battery may be weak and need replacement. (Press the TEST button to be sure before replacing the battery. If the alarm sounds, the battery may still be okay. If the alarm still beeps every few seconds, check the smoke detector also. The "low battery" warning beep is similar on many alarm devices, so the origin of this electronic sound can be deceiving.)

#### **Further Information**

Please read the information provided by the manufacturer, which is included in your Owner's InfoCase. It includes information on precautions, operational testing, and battery/sensor replacement.



# **EMERGENCY EXITS Emergency Exit Windows**

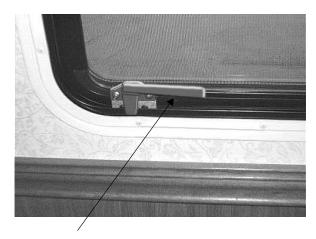
Your motor home is equipped with an emergency exit window on the left (driver's) side of the bedroom which functions as an escape exit in an emergency situation.

### **WARNING**

Use emergency window for emergency exit only. Do not test for proper operation.

Use care when exiting emergency window, as broken glass may be present in the exit area.

The side mounted escape window is secured by two red safety latches and can be opened by first releasing these two latches and then pushing outward on the lower part of the window. Identify which type of emergency exit window is in your vehicle.



Lift Both Handles Up Push Out on Bottom

Instructions for removal are also located on a label on the glass for quick reference and for passengers who may not be familiar with the exit. Never remove or destroy this label.

# **Using Slider Windows as Emergency Exits**

Slider windows along the side of the motor home can also be used as emergency exits, should the need arise. To use the windows as exits, slide the window open, then slide the screen open.

#### SAFETY DEVICES



### FIRE EXTINGUISHER

A dry chemical fire extinguisher is located near the floor by the passenger side front door.





We recommend that you become thoroughly familiar with the operating instructions displayed on the side of the fire extinguisher or in the information supplied in your Owner's InfoCase.

We also recommend that you inspect the fire extinguisher for proper charge at least once a month in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommendations as stated on the label. If the charge is insufficient, the fire extinguisher must be replaced.

### **WARNING**

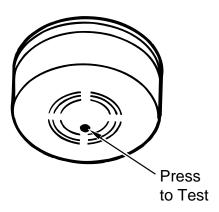
Do not test the fire extinguisher by discharging it. Partial discharge can cause leakage of pressure or contents which would render the unit inoperative when needed. When using the fire extinguisher, aim the spray at the base of the fire.



### **SMOKE ALARM**

Your motor home is equipped with a smoke alarm located on the ceiling in the galley area. This alarm meets U.L. Standard 217 and NFPA Standard 74 for operation of smoke detection devices.

1. The smoke alarm should be tested for correct operation each time the vehicle is brought out of storage, before each trip, and at least once a week during motor home use. To test the electronics, firmly depress the button. To test that smoke reaches the sensor, blow smoke in a careful, fire-safe manner into your smoke alarm.



- 2. Your smoke alarm will not work without power. Never remove the battery to quiet the alarm. When your smoke alarm "beeps" about once a minute the battery is weak. Install a new battery immediately. Be sure to use only batteries specified in manual or on unit. Test unit after installing a new battery.
- 3. Clean and vacuum the openings on your smoke alarm once a month.Do not open the smoke alarm or try to repair it. For replacement information see warranty in Owner's Manual.
- 4. Smoke alarms have technical limitations and may not respond in all situations. FIRE PRE-VENTION is your best safeguard.

See your Owner's InfoCase for further information.



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(See also Safety Precautions, Section 1 of this manual.)

NOTE: See your Freightliner chassis operator's manual for information on starting the engine, operating the transmission, steering column controls descriptions of instrument gauges and other chassis related information.

Some items described in this section may be optional or unavailable on your coach.



# BEFORE ENTERING YOUR VEHICLE

Before entering your vehicle, there are a few recommended procedures that will aid in your driving safety and equipment.

- 1. Be sure that the windows, mirrors and light lenses are clean and unobstructed.
- 2. Make sure all exterior lights operate properly.
- 3. Check tires for proper cold inflation pressures and inspect for any unusual wear.
- 4. Check wheel lug nuts for tightness.
- 5. Look beneath the vehicle for noticeable fluid leakage.
- Check fluid levels and fill if necessary. This
  includes engine oil, transmission fluid, coolant, brake fluid, power steering fluid and
  windshield washer solvent.

#### **WARNING**

The engine should be shut off unless specifically required for a certain procedure.

Freightliner: The transmission must be in N (Neutral) and park brake applied while performing any checks or adjustments.

- 7. Unhook and store sewer and water supply hoses.
- 8. Retract step.
- 9. Be sure that all of your cargo is secured in event of a sudden stop or an accident.
- 10. Check around your vehicle in all directions to assure that you have proper clearance.
- 11. Lower TV antenna.
- 12. Disconnect and store shoreline.

#### **WARNING**

Before driving your vehicle, be sure you have read the entire operator's manual and that you understand your vehicle's equipment completely and how to use the equipment safely.



# BEFORE DRIVING YOUR VEHICLE

Before preparing to drive your vehicle, here are a few recommended procedures that will add to your driving safety and enjoyment.

- 1. Be sure that you adjust the interior and exterior rear view mirrors to your driving preference.
- 2. Adjust the driver's seat for proper distance from foot pedals and steering wheel to allow for safety and ease in controlling your vehicle.

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- 3. Place front seats in the forward facing position
- 4. Be sure to fasten all safety belts to fit you comfortably, but tight enough to obtain the full safety of the belts.
- 5. Make sure all doors are completely shut and locked. When the doors are shut and locked, there is less change of the doors flying open in event of an accident. It also prevents unintentional opening of doors and keeps intruders out of your vehicle.
- 6. Check to see that all gauges are operating properly.
- 7. Check the fuel level in the vehicle.
- 8. Be certain that the fire extinguisher is fully charged and secure in its mounting bracket.

### **CAUTION**

Be sure hood and all compartment doors are latched securely before driving vehicle

# "KEY ONE" LOCK SYSTEM

Your coach is equipped with the new Key One<sup>TM</sup> lock system. A single key will open every door lock in the entire motor home (except the security deadbolt lock on the entrance door). This means you don't have to sort through a handful of keys to find the right one for the water fill door or the luggage doors or the entrance door or the driver's door.

The key number for your coach is registered in our factory database, so if you ever lose your keys, any Winnebago Industries dealership can easily order a new key for you. They are also equipped with special master keys and can unlock your coach for you if needed.



# **FUEL SELECTION**

Refer to your Freightliner chassis operating guide for the manufacturer's recommendations on proper fuel selection.

# Winter Fuel Waxing and Anti-Gel Additives

In sub-freezing temperatures, #2 diesel fuel can form small wax crystals that become trapped in the fuel filter and block the fuel flow to the engine, causing it to stall out. At sub-zero temperatures, the fuel can congeal and turn "slushy". If this happens, the only remedy is to have the vehicle towed into a heated facility to allow the fuel to warm up and become fully liquid again.

During winter time, most truck stops and reputable filling stations have winter blend diesel fuels available that are less susceptible to waxing.

There are also commercially available products, typically called anti-gel additives, to add to diesel fuel while filling the tank to inhibit wax formation in freezing temperatures.

Consult your Freightliner chassis guide or Cummins engine guide for more information on fuel requirements and additives.

#### FILLING THE FUEL TANK

Diesel fuel, especially #2 grade, can foam up while being pumped into the tank. Sometimes this foam can cause the pump nozzle to shut off before the tank is actually full. Allow the foam to settle then resume filling at a slower flow rate until the tank is full.

Fuel Tank Capacity: 125 gals. diesel



# STARTING AND STOPPING ENGINE

Refer to your Freightliner chassis operating guide for the manufacturer's recommendations on starting and stopping the engine.

See also "Engine Block Heater" elsewhere in this section.

Cold Weather Starting: Please note the following cold weather starting precautions. These labels are also located in appropriate areas of the coach. Failure to follow these precautions could cause serious damage to your diesel engine.



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If a shoreline hookup is not available, just start the auxiliary generator to provide power to the engine heater.

REMEMBER! Turn the engine heater switch off after starting the engine. The heater will keep operating for as long as it is supplied with electricity. If the switch is left on, the engine heater will come on each time you hook up the shoreline cord or start the generator.

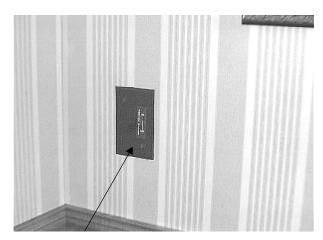
# WARNING DO NOT USE ETHER OR STARTING FLUID

INTAKE MANIFOLD HEATER
MAY CAUSE EXPLOSION
AND SEVERE INJURY.



# **ENGINE BLOCK HEATER**

Your coach is equipped with an engine block heater to assist starting in freezing temperatures. The power cord is located in the rear cargo compartment on the driver side of the coach. When plugged into the receptacle, the heater is connected to both the shoreline and the auxiliary generator, so extension cords are not needed under most circumstances. The power switch is on the forward bedroom wall on the driver's side of the coach.



Engine Block Heater Switch on forward left bedroom wall

### To Use the Engine Heater

With the shoreline cord plugged into a shoreline hookup, turn on the engine heater power switch on the forward bedroom wall on the driver's side of the coach.



# PARKING BRAKES

The parking brakes are applied by pulling outward on the large black knob on the dash to the left of the ignition switch. Push the knob in to release the brakes.



Parking Brake Knob

Use the parking brakes whenever the vehicle is parked. Never try to drive the vehicle with the park brake applied. This can cause excessive wear on the brakes and may damage the transmission.

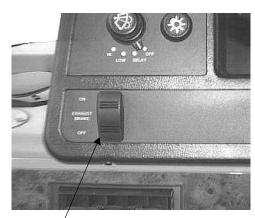
NOTE: It is normal to hear an occasional burst of air pressure from the rear of the vehicle. This is an automatic moisture purging feature of the air brake system. See the Brakes section of your Freightliner chassis manual for instructions on periodic draining of brake air tank.



# JACOBS® EXTARDER™ ENGINE EXHAUST BRAKING SYSTEM

**To Use the Exhaust Brake:** The exhaust brake activation switch is located on the lower left side of the dash. Press and release the ON side of the switch to activate the exhaust brake system. The exhaust brake will operate whenever you let up on the throttle pedal while the switch is ON.

Press and release the OFF side of the switch to deactivate the exhaust brake system and return to chassis brakes alone.



Exhaust Brake Switch

**How It Works:** The Jacobs® Extarder<sup>TM</sup> is an engine compression retarder that generates "braking" power by controlled restriction of the engine's exhaust gas flow.

When the exhaust brake is activated, a valve closes off the engine's exhaust causing the exhaust back pressure to increase, which causes the vehicle to slow down.

The increased back pressure would normally stop the engine except the forward momentum of the vehicle keeps the drivetrain and the engine turning.

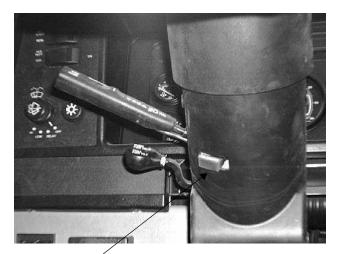
This controlled back pressure helps to regulate a vehicle's downhill speed, such as on mountainous or hilly roads. It also provides "braking" on level or near-level roads.

**For More Information:** See your Jacobs<sup>®</sup> Extarder<sup>TM</sup> user guide in the Owner's InfoCase for complete operating instructions and precautions.



# HAZARD WARNING LIGHTS

The hazard warning flasher switch is located on the underside of the steering column near the signal/cruise lever. Pull the switch button outward from the column to activate the flashers. To cancel flashers, push the switch button inward toward the column. See also Section 3 for further operating information.



Hazard Light Switch Pull On/Push Off



# ENTRANCE DOOR LOCK AND HANDLE

The entrance door may be opened from outside the vehicle by pulling the door handle outward. To open the door from inside, pull outward on the door handle. When the door is locked, neither the inside nor the outside door handle can be operated. It can be locked and unlocked from the outside of the vehicle by inserting the key into the lock and turning.





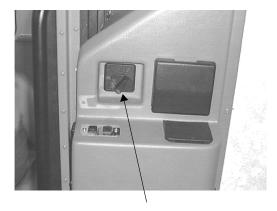


Entrance Door Handle - Outside

To lock the door from inside, rotate the lock levers as indicated. The deadbolt lock is for added security and should be used as a security night lock.



Entrance Door Handle - Inside



Deadbolt lock beside passenger front seat

Lubricate the locks periodically with graphite to maintain good working condition.

### **CAUTION**

When releasing security night lock, be sure to retract bolt before opening door latch to prevent drag on bolt pin. Instruct all passengers in operation of this door catch system as well as emergency exit window.



# **POWER DOOR LOCK - with Keyless Remote Entry System**

The power door lock controls the side entrance door.



Power Door Lock



# **Keyless Remote Entry System**

The keyless entry is a remote control power door lock system. This feature allows you to unlock or lock your entrance door from outside the coach without using a key.

**Lock:** When you leave the coach, simply press the "lock" button on the remote transmitter attached to your key ring. The entrance door will lock. Your parking lights will flash once to tell you that the door has locked.





Keyless Remote Unit

**Unlock:** When you return to the coach, press the "Unlock" button on the transmitter and your parking lights will flash twice to tell you that the door has unlocked. The porch light will also come on for 20 seconds to light your way to the coach.

NOTE: For maximum range when transmitting, point the brass key ring of the remote unit toward the coach.

If You Lose a Remote: Your dealer can order replacement remote keyring transmitter if you should lose one, or if you simply want a spare.

When you get a new remote unit, the receiver/control unit in the coach must be programmed to recognize the signal code of the new remote. For simple programming instructions, refer to remote lock manufacturer's information in your operator manual blue binder. If you do not wish to do this yourself, you can see your dealer to have the receiver/control unit programmed for you.

**Replacing Batteries in Remote Units:** The battery should last for one year under normal use. When the transmitting range of the remote unit drops, the battery is probably becoming weak.

- 1. Remove remote unit from key ring and lay face down.
- 2. Remove screws from rear corners of case.
- 3. Open transmitter case. Do not lose key ring swivel. It is not fastened to case.
- 4. Remove old battery and insert new battery in same direction (+/-) as old battery.
- 5. Close case and replace case screws.

The compact 12 volt battery used in these units is available at most electronic shops and camera shops.

Recommended 12 volt battery:
Gold Peak GP27A
Bronica B-1 or suitable equivalent

NOTE: If a 12 volt battery is not available, you may "stack" eight (8) 1.5 volt watch (button) batteries as a substitute. Be sure the batteries all face the same direction. It may help to wrap tape around the stack to hold the batteries together for easier installation.

Recommended watch batteries:

#392 G-3 RW-47 192 SR-41W 8009 547

NOTE: Keys should always be removed when leaving the vehicle. Since doors can be locked without keys, make sure they have been removed from the ignition before locking the driver's compartment.



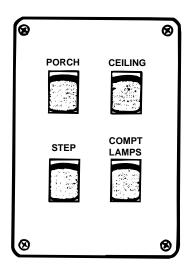
# ENTRANCE STEP - Powered

The electric entrance steps will extend automatically when you open the entrance door, and retract when you close the door. You can also switch the step power off if you want to keep the step extended while parked at a campsite, when you exit and enter the coach frequently. This saves wear on the step mechanism and conserves coach battery power.

The step power switch is located on the entry switch panel to the left of the doorway as you enter the coach. If you turn the switch off while the steps are extended, they will remain extended until you turn the switch back on. The steps will ex-



tend when the door is opened even if the switch is off. The step will not retract, however, unless the switch is on.



**Entry Switch Panel** 

If the steps will not extend or retract, check the step power switch.

This step has a unique safety retraction feature that prevents damage to the step by driving off with the step extended. Even if the step is extended with the step switch turned off and the entrance door closed, the step will automatically retract when the coach engine is started.

See the Kwikee power step owner's manual in your Owner's InfoCase for operating instructions and additional information.

### WARNING

Do not use steps unless they are fully extended.

Do Not Stand on electric entrance step when coach engine is being started. The step will automatically retract, which could cause personal injury.

#### **CAUTION**

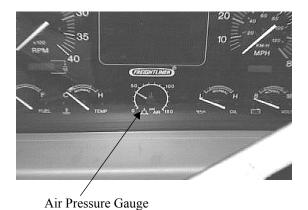
Always remember to retract the entrance steps before traveling or moving the vehicle.

### STEPWELL COVER

The stepwell cover can be extended to cover the stepwell area and increase usable floor space in the front of the coach while the entrance door is not in use.

Press and release the Step Cover switch on the passenger sidewall armrest. The step will extend or retract fully. It is not necessary to hold the switch down while the cover is extending or retracting.

The step cover movement is powered by air pressure from the air brake/horn system. If system air pressure drops below 60 psi (shown on gauge in lower center of instrument panel), the step will not operate properly. If system pressure is insufficient to retract step, use the Manual Air Release Valve as described below.



### **CAUTION**

Stay clear of entrance step area when stepwell is being extended or retracted. When entering or exiting, loose clothing may catch on components of the mechanism. Personal injury and/or property damage may result.

# **Stepwell Cover Manual Air Release** Valve:

Rotate the knob so it points to OPEN to bypass air pressure to the step mechanism. This allows you to stop the travel of the step cover while extending, if necessary. It also allows you to manually push the step cover back into the storage

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position for use of the step in event of insufficient system air pressure.



Rotate the knob pointer back to the CLOSED position to resume power operation.



# LUGGAGE COMPART-MENT DOORS

To ensure that compartment doors have latched properly, press the bottom edge of the door with the palms of your hands. This is more important for smaller and lighter compartment doors because when the door is "dropped" closed, the air trapped inside the compartment may create a cushioning effect that could sometimes prevent door latches from engaging properly.



# POWER ELECTRIC MIRRORS

The electric mirrors are adjusted using a multi-directional switch located on the driver's side armrest.

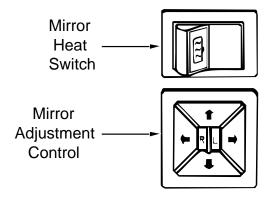


**Power Mirror Controls** 

Select the mirror to be adjusted by pushing the switch in the middle of the control to the right or left. Then press the arrow buttons as necessary to obtain the best view.

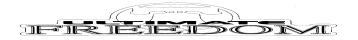
When mirrors are adjusted to preference, place the selector switch back in the middle position to cancel power to the buttons. This prevents accidental misadjustment of mirror settings.

The mirrors also contain heating elements to defog or de-ice the mirror glass during cold weather operation. An ON-OFF switch for the mirror heaters is located near the remote mirror controls



If you cannot adjust the mirror properly using the control switch, the mirror may need a coarse adjustment by repositioning the mirror head. See the mirror manufacturer's instructions in your Owner InfoCase.





#### **More Info**

To read more about power mirrors, see the mirror manufacturer's information in your Owner InfoCase.



### SONY REARVIEW TV MONITOR SYSTEM

Refer to the Owner's InfoCase for specific instructions provided by Sony.



### **SEATS**

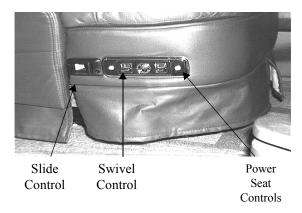
The driver and co-pilot seats may be independently adjusted to suit individual preference.

The seats may be swiveled to provide easy entrance and exit. The swivel feature also allows the seats on some models to be turned toward the living area for additional seating while the unit is parked.

### **DRIVER SEAT**

**To Swivel Seat:** Lift swivel release paddle. Paddle is located on lower right side of seat.

**To Recline Seat:** Lift recliner release paddle. Paddle is located on lower right side of seat.



**Driver Seat** 

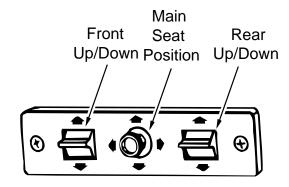
### **WARNING**

Do not adjust driver's seat while vehicle is in motion.

After adjusting seat, always use body pressure to make sure slide and swivel locking mechanism have engaged.

### **6-Way Power Seat Controls**

The power seat controls are located on the lower right hand side of the driver seat base.

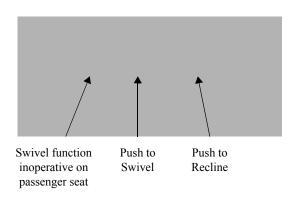


Power Seat Control

#### PASSENGER "BUDDY" SEAT

**To Recline Seat:** Push recliner release paddle rearward. Paddle is located on lower left side of seat.

**To Slide Seat:** Push slider paddle rearward. Paddle is located on lower left side of seat.



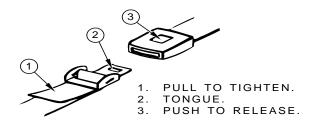
Passenger Seat





# **SEAT BELTS**

Seats intended for occupancy while the vehicle is in motion are equipped with seat belts for the protection of the driver and passengers. The lap belts must be worn as low as possible and fit snugly across the hip area. Always sit erect and well back into the seat. To gain full protection of the safety belt, never let more than one person use the same safety belt at any one time, and do not let the safety belts become damaged by pinching them in the doors or in the seat mechanism. After any serious accident, any seat belts which were in use at the time should be replaced.



**Adjustment:** To lengthen belt, turn tongue at a right angle to belt and pull to desired length. To shorten, pull loose end of belt.

**To Fasten:** Be sure belt is not twisted. Grasp each part of the belt assembly and push tongue into buckle. Adjust to a snug fit by pulling the loose end away from the tongue.

**To Release:** Press button in center of buckle and slide tongue out of buckle.

### **WARNING**

Snug and low belt positions are essential. This will ensure that the force exerted by the lap belt in a collision is spread over the strong hip area and not across the abdomen, which could result in serious injury.

Only seats equipped with seat belts are to be occupied while vehicle is in motion.



### THREE-POINT LAP-SHOULDER BELTS

The driver and co-pilot seat belts in your coach are equipped with automatic locking retractors that let you easily adjust your seat belt to the proper length for passenger safety.

### **Fastening:**

- Grasp the belt just behind the tongue using the hand nearest the door or sidewall. Be sure the belt is not twisted before fastening.
- Pull the belt smoothly outward from the wall and across your body, then insert the tongue into the buckle on the aisle side of the seat until it locks with a positive "click".

NOTE: Do not pull the belt away from the wall too quickly or it will "lock" and prevent you from pulling it any farther. If this happens, relax your pull on the belt slightly then continue pulling it less quickly.)

- Feed any excess belt length back toward the wall so the belt retractor will lock the belt at the proper length for your body when released.
- The lap belt portion must be worn snug and low across the pelvic area.
- The shoulder strap portion must be worn diagonally across the chest and over the shoulder, but not against the neck.



NOTE: The shoulder belt height can be adjusted to provide the most comfortable position for each individual person's size. To adjust shoulder belt height, press the lever down, select the desired position and release the lever. A ratcheting mechanism will allow the belt to be pushed upward but not pulled downward.



• Seat belts offer optimum protection only when worn properly on the body and when the seat is in an upright position.

### **Unfastening:**

- Press the release button in the buckle.
- Hold onto the tonque when you release it from the buckle to keep it from retracting too rapidly.

### **WARNING**

Never wear the shoulder belt in any position other than as stated above. Failure to do so could increase the chance or extent of injury in a collision

#### SEAT BELT CARE AND CLEANING

- Be careful not to damage the belt webbing and hardware. Take care not to pinch them in the seat or doors.
- Inspect the belts and hardware periodically. Check for cuts, frays, and loose parts. Damaged parts should be replaced. Do not remove or modify the belt system.
- Keep belts clean and dry. If the belts need cleaning, use only a mild soap and water solution. Do not use hot water. Do not use abrasive cleaners or bleach. These products may weaken or damage the belts.
- Replace any belt assembly that was used during a severe impact. Replace the complete assembly even if damage is not apparent.



# **CHILD RESTRAINTS**

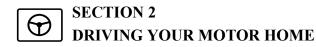
All 50 of the United States and the District of Columbia now require the use of the child/infant restraint systems for children in vehicles.

A properly installed and secured child restraint system can help reduce the chance or severity of personal injury to a child in an accident or during a sudden maneuver. Children may be injured in an accident if they are not seated in a child restraint which is not properly secured.

A child restraint system is designed to be secured in a vehicle seat by a lap belt or the lap belt portion of a lap-shoulder belt. According to accident statistics, children are also safer when properly restrained in rear seating positions than in front seating positions.

When purchasing a child restraint system:

- 1. Look for the label certifying that it meets all applicable U.S. Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) or, in Canada, requirements of the Children's Car Seats and Harnesses Regulations (CCSHR).
- 2. Make sure that it will attach to your vehicle and restrain your child securely and conveniently so that you are able to install it cor-





rectly each time it is used.

- 3. Be certain that it is appropriate for the child's height, weight and development. The instructions and/or the regulation label attached to the restraint typically provides this information.
- 4. Review the instructions for installation and use of the restraint. Be sure that you understand them fully and can install the restraint properly and safely in your vehicle.



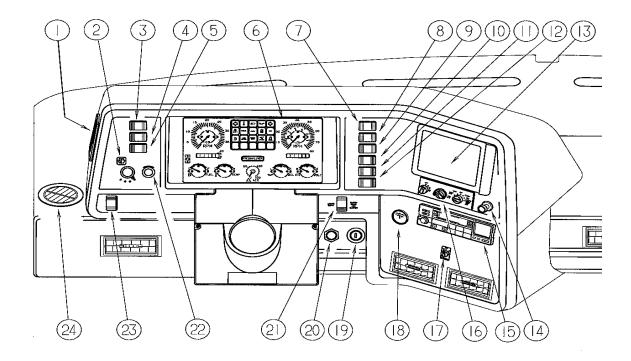




#### **INSTRUMENT PANEL**

- 1. Rearview Monitor Speaker
- 2. Wiper/Washer Switch
- 3. Radio Power Switch
- 4. Aux. Start Switch
- 5. Aux. Battery Switch
- 6. Instrument Panel\*
- 7. Aux. Windshield Defrost Fans Switch
- 8. Rear Auto Heater Switch
- 9. Fog Lamp Switch
- 10. Docking Lamps Switch
- 11. Air Horn Switch
- 12. Aux. Generator Switch

- 13. Rearview (Backup) Monitor
- 14. Cigarette Lighter/12V Socket
- 15. Radio/Cassette Player/CD Control
- 16. Automotive Heater/AC Controls
- 17. Audio Selector Switch\*\*
- 18. Transmission Temperature Gauge\*
- 19. Ignition Switch
- 20. Park Brake Knob\*
- 21. Slideout Control Switch
- 22. Headlight Switch
- 23. Exhaust Brake On/Off Switch\*
- 24. Side Window Defrost Duct



\* See your Freightliner chassis operator manual.

\*\*With Deluxe Sound System only.

NOTE: Some equipment or controls shown may be optional or unavailable on your model.



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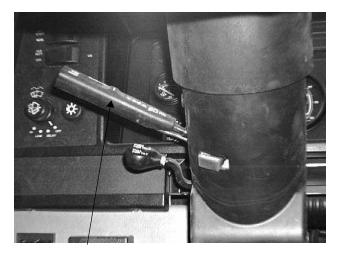




# MULTI-FUNCTION SIGNAL LEVER

The multi-function signal lever controls the turn signals, high/low beam changing, and the electronic speed control (cruise).

See your chassis operating guide for complete operating information.



Multifunction Lever Signals/Hi-Lo Beams/Cruise



### HEADLIGHT BEAM CHANGE AND TURN SIGNALS

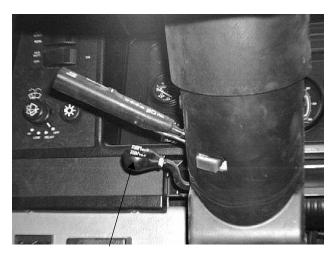
Move multi-function lever upward for right turn signal and downward for left turn signal.

Pull end of handle toward you to switch high beam to low, or low beam to high.

### STEERING TILT/TELESCOPE

The tilt/telescoping adjustment lever is located on the left side of the steering column.

**To Adjust Tilt Wheel:** Pull the lever toward you and tilt the steering wheel to the desired angle, then release the lever.



Pull to Tilt Push to Telescope

**To Adjust Telescoping Column:** Push the lever toward the dash. Push or pull the steering wheel to slide the steering column in or out to the desired length. Release the lever to lock the column into position.

### **WARNING**

Do not adjust the steering column or tilt wheel while the vehicle is in motion. This could cause a loss of vehicle control.

#### **CRUISE CONTROL**

The electronic speed control (cruise) allows you to maintain a steady speed and relieve driving strain while traveling long distances.

See your Freightliner chassis operator manual for complete instructions and precautions on the cruise control.

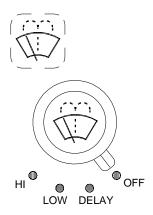
#### **WARNING**

Do not operate the cruise control on icy or extremely wet roads, winding roads, in heavy traffic, or in any other traffic situation where a constant speed cannot be maintained.



#### WINDSHIELD WASH/WIPE SWITCH

**Wash:** Press the control knob to pump washer solution onto the windshield. The wiper will also begin operating. The wiper will continue for 5 wipes after you release the washer knob.



**Wiper:** Rotate the outer knob pointer to the desired setting - Delay, Low or Hi.

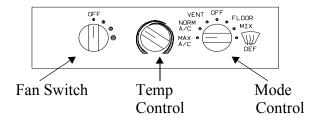
**Delay:** Turn the outer knob pointer to "DELAY". Turn the center (wash) knob to set the time you want between wipes, from 1 second (all the way left) to about 90 seconds (all the way right).

# **COMFORT CONTROLS**



### AUTO AIR CONDITIONER/ HEATER

Controls for the air conditioner, heater, defroster and vent are all combined into one control panel. Refer to the following instructions for use of individual controls.



- 1. Front Heater Fan Switch
- 2. Temperature Control Knob
- 3. Mode Selection Knob



#### HEATING

- A. For maximum heating
  - 1. Turn the mode selection knob HEAT or VENT.
  - 2. Turn the temperature control knob to WARM (red) zone.
  - 3. Place the fan switch to high (largest dot).
- B. For reduced heating:
  - 1. Turn the temperature control knob toward the COOL (blue) zone to the desired comfort position.
  - 2. Adjust the fan speed for desired volume.



# **DEFROSTING**

- A. For maximum defrosting and defogging:
  - 1. Turn the mode control knob to DEF.
  - 2. Turn the temperature control knob to WARM (red).
  - 3. Turn the fan switch to high (largest dot).
  - 4. Turn on auxiliary (dash) fans if additional air movement is needed
- B. For reduced defrosting:
  - 1. Turn the temperature control knob to the left to an intermediate setting.
  - 2. Adjust the fan speed for desired volume.



# VENTILATION

- A. To vent outside air into the vehicle when neither heating or cooling is required.
  - 1. Turn the mode selection knob to vent.
  - 2. Turn the temperature control knob all the way to the left to the COOL (blue) zone.
  - 3. Adjust the fan speed for desired volume.



### AIR CONDITIONING

- A. For maximum cooling.
  - 1. Turn the mode selection knob to MAX A/C.



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- 2. Turn the temperature control knob all the way left to the COOL (blue) position.
- 3. Turn the fan speed switch in to high (largest dot).

#### **OFF**

When no heating, cooling or defrosting are required:

1. Turn the mode selection knob to OFF. This will shut off the fan and prevent outside air from entering the unit.

NOTE: The automotive air conditioner is not designed to cool the entire interior of the motor home, but is intended to cool the driver's compartment only.

❖ ENERGY TIP: Turn off any electrical items or accessories (lights, fans, defoggers, etc.) when not being used. This reduces fuel consumption by cutting down electrical load on the automotive alternator. The more electrical items being used, the greater the electrical "pull" on the alternator, which causes the engine to work harder and use more fuel.



# STEREO SOUND SYSTEM

# Radio Cassette Player (Standard) or Radio Compact Disc Player (Optional)

Your coach may be equipped with a standard AM/FM stereo radio cassette player or an optional AM/FM stereo radio/CD player. Both of these systems provide high quality stereo sound for your listening enjoyment while traveling or parked.

Refer to the individual radio manufacturer's information supplied in your InfoCase for detailed operating and care instructions.

### **Radio Power Switch**

The radio power switch lets you connect the dash radio to the coach batteries with the ignition switch turned off for listening while parked. This

prevents accidental draining of the chassis (starting) battery during prolonged operation of the radio

# **Deluxe Sound System (Optional)**

Your coach may be optionally equipped with a deluxe sound system featuring special highoutput cube speakers and subwoofers to enhance your listening enjoyment.

Place the Radio Power Switch in AUX position and the Ignition Switch in ACC position.

A speaker selector switch on the dash lets you switch the deluxe speakers to your desired sound source, whether the dash radio or the TV and VCR for theater surround sound listening.



Audio Selector Switch on dash



# **COMPACT DISC CHANGER** - Optional

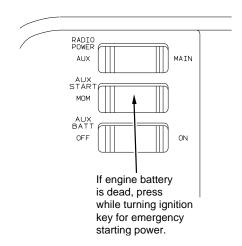
The remote CD changer is located out of sight in the overhead cabinet above the driver's compartment. The changer cartridge holds up to 8 compact discs for several hours of listening enjoyment.

The controls are incorporated into the dash radio. See the Compact Disc Changer System operating guide in your InfoCase for complete operating instructions and basic troubleshooting.



### **AUX. START SWITCH**

This switch can be used to provide emergency starting power from the motor home auxiliary battery if the automotive battery is discharged.



## **AUXILIARY BATTERY (Aux. Batt) SWITCH**

The AUX BATT switch disconnects the auxiliary (coach) batteries from the 12-volt system of your coach to avoid long-term battery drain by electrical items that are hooked directly to the coach batteries.

Always leave this switch ON except during long storage periods (a month or more).



# CB RADIO WIRING (Optional)

Your coach is pre-wired for CB radio installation. The wires are located beneath the dash to the left of the steering wheel.

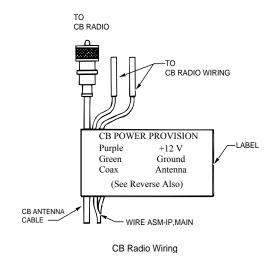
Look for a pair of wires, purple (+) and green (-), with connectors and flag labels, suspended from the wiring harness.

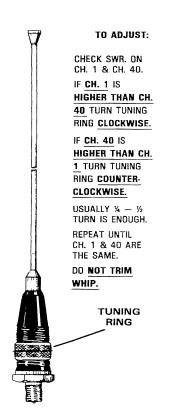
Be sure to read the wire labels before installing a CB radio. The labels contain important information and cautions.

## **SWR Adjustment**

To adjust CB antenna SWR (standing wave ratio), remove the cap on the end of the antenna, turn the adjusting rings of the antenna to achieve the lowest SWR reading. This procedure will

help optimize transmitting and receiving capabilities of the radio system.





### **CAUTION**

The CB radio could become damaged if CB antenna SWR is not adjusted before operating CB radio.



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## AUTOMATIC COACH LEVELING SYSTEM

Your coach may be optionally equipped with a 4-point HWH computerized, automatic, hydraulic leveling system.

This leveling system is designed to diminish problems in selecting a parking site, making "set up" easier and faster for you.

See the HWH Operator Manual in your Owner's InfoCase for complete operating instructions. It also contains additional precautions, technical information, and instructions for manual operation if automatic functions fail.

The leveling system control panel is located on the driver's side armrest panel.



Automatic Leveling System Control Panel

NOTE: When parking at an uneven site, always park the front of the motor home to the downhill side. This allows you to level by raising the front end rather than the rear. Since only the rear wheels are locked while in PARK, raising either one or both of the rear wheels off the ground could allow the vehicle to roll off the jacks.

## **CAUTION**

Do not try to drive vehicle unless 'TRAVEL' light is glowing with ignition switch on.

Do not try to drive the vehicle until the air suspension system has built up sufficient pressure if you have used the coach leveling system or have used the DUMP button to manually exhaust the air suspension system.

### WARNING

Keep all people clear of the coach while the leveling system is operating.

Do not use leveling jacks to support vehicle for service or tire changing.



## **SLIDEOUT ROOM EXTENSION**

### **CAUTION**

Release galley slideout room travel latches before attempting to extend galley slideout room. Fasten travel latches before driving vehicle. See the following instructions.

Your coach is equipped with a galley/living room slideout extension to enlarge your living area at the push of a button. The slideout room extends and retracts by hydraulic mechanisms with an electronic control system.

NOTE: Model 36C is also equipped with a rear bedroom slideout, which is controlled by a separate switch on the bedroom wall.

The galley slideout switch is located on the lower right dash bezel. (**Model 36C**: The bedroom slideout switch is located on the bedroom forward wall, just to the left as you enter the room.)

## **Travel Latches (Galley)**

The Travel Latches must be released before attempting to extend the galley or damage to the coach will result.

The travel latches are designed only to help keep the room extension secured against the coach sidewall to maintain an effective weather seal while the vehicle is in motion. They are not designed to withstand the force exerted by the hydraulic extension mechanism and will not prevent unintentional extension of the room.

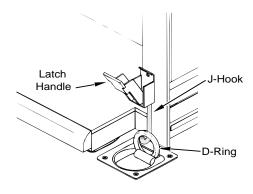
The travel latches are located on the floor beside the sofa and inside the rear door of the galley cabinet.





#### To Release:

- Pull the latch handle outward and down.
- Lift the black metal D-ring and push the J-hook back to disengage.
- Push the D-ring down to the floor and lift the latch handle upward against the wall.
- Repeat for other side of room.



Travel Latches

### To Fasten:

- Pull the latch handle outward and down.
- Lift the black metal D-ring up and engage the J-hook.
- Lift the latch handle upward and lock against the wall.
- Repeat for other side of room.



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NOTE: If latches become loose and will not stay fastened, see your dealer for proper adjustment.

### **WARNING**

Keep all persons clear of the slideout room and moving parts while extending or retracting. Do not occupy the slideout room while it is being extended or retracted

### **To Extend Slide-Out Rooms:**

## **CAUTION**

Check to be sure the exterior storage compartment doors below the slide-out room extension are closed before extending or retracting the room to avoid possible damage to the finish of the doors.

- Level the coach.
- Set the Parking Brake. An interlock relay system will then provide power to the slideout control switches.
- Release travel latches (galley).
- Press slide-out switch and hold until room is fully extended, then release switch.
- The galley slideout control switch is located on the lower right dash bezel, above the ignition key and park brake knob.



Galley Slideout Switch

 The bedroom slideout switch is located on the bedroom forward wall just to the left as you enter the room.

## **Before Retracting Slideout Room**

If it has rained recently before you retract the slide-out room, we recommend using the hydraulic leveling system to lean the coach and drain off any excess water possibly remaining on the roof before retracting. Lean the coach slightly to the left (driver's side) as shown by raising both right side jacks to let excess water flow away from the rooftop weatherseal and toward the outside of the slide-out roof.



## **To Retract Slideout Room:**

## **CAUTION**

Although there is an awning over the roof of the slideout room, there is a possibility of debris getting onto the roof. Because the slideout roof is drawn into the interior of the coach when retracted, be sure there is no debris, such as excessive dirt, tree seeds, twigs, leaves, etc. on the roof before retracting.

- Remove all items from the coach living room floor. Turn leveling system on to provide power to the slideout control switch.
- Press slideout switch and hold until room is fully retracted, then release the switch.

## **High Wind Precaution**

We remind you to be aware of high winds while the room is extended because of the effect





they can have on the roof awning. It is a good idea to retract the room any time high wind conditions would also make it necessary to roll in the patio side awning. This will protect the slide-out room awning from possible wind damage.

## If Slideout Room Will Not Operate (Troubleshooting)

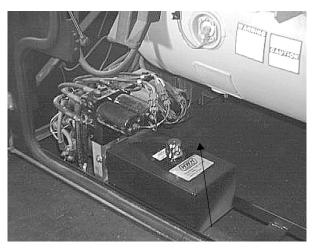
- The chassis battery may be low on charge. Press the Aux. Start switch on the dash to the momentary (MOM) position while pressing the slide-out control switch. This momentarily connects the coach batteries to assist in retracting the room.
- One of the fuses may be blown. Fuses are located on the interior firewall beneath the dash, beneath the instrument panel dash pod, and inside the leveling control pad housing.
- If the batteries and fuses are okay, there may be a failure in the hydraulic system or electrical system. See "Emergency Crank-In Instructions" below for help.

## Slideout Galley Emergency Crank-In Procedure (Use only when galley slideout will not retract using control switch)

If a failure occurs in the slideout electrical or hydraulic systems, and the room will not retract using the control switch, you can manually crank the room in using an emergency winch system described below. The winch is stored in a cargo compartment on the passenger side of the coach.

## **Step 1 - Relieve Hydraulic Line Pressure**

 Open the hydraulic pump valves to release hydraulic line pressure and let fluid bypass into the fluid reservoir. The pump is located in the LP tank compartment on the driver side of the vehicle.



Slideout Pump in LP Tank Compartment

### **WARNING**

Stop engine, place transmission in park position and apply parking brake before lying beneath vehicle for this procedure.

 Open the 2 T-handle valves on the FRONT END of the pump only. Turn T-handles counter-clockwise to open.

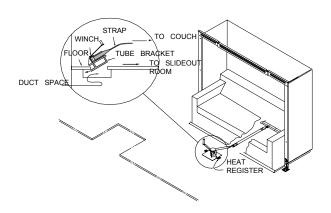
DO NOT OPEN ANY OF THE 4 VALVES ON THE BACK END OF THE PUMP because they regulate the leveling jacks.

NOTE: The T-handles may turn easily at first but will become more difficult to turn as internal springs are compressed. Be sure to open both valves completely (about 6 turns of each T-handle).

## **Step 2 - Attach Winch and Crank Room Inward**

• Remove the register from the floor heat duct and anchor the winch in the floor. Insert the winch retainer bracket into the duct cutout in the floor as shown.





NOTE: Be sure the bracket extensions face away from the slideout room as shown for proper support while cranking.

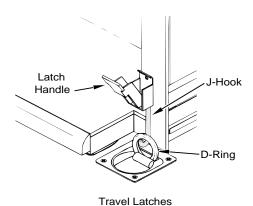
- Insert the winch strap hook into the sewn loop end of the strap beneath the couch.
- Be sure the winch ratchet pawl is in the locking position (against the gear teeth) before cranking.
- Crank the winch handle clockwise slowly, a few "clicks" at a time, until the room is fully retracted. Allow about 10 minutes to crank room in fully.

NOTE: Attempting to crank the room in too quickly will raise pressure in the hydraulic fluid lines and make cranking more difficult.

 Unhook the winch and return the winch and straps to storage locations. Release the strap by putting slight pressure clockwise on the crank handle, then moving the ratchet pawl to the free-wheel position (away from gear teeth).

## **Step 3 - Secure Travel Latches and Close Hydraulic Line Valves**

• Fasten the slideout room Travel Latches as shown.



• Close the hydraulic pump valve T-handles completely.

NOTE: Close the valves snugly, but do not overtighten. Overtightening may cause internal damage to the valves.

• See your dealer for service of the room extension system before using again.

## **Bedroom Slideout Emergency Retraction**

In the unlikely event that your bedroom slideout fails to retract using the power switch, check for obvious causes first, such as ignition key not in On/ACC, park brake not applied, leveling system power off, or a burned out fuse on the chassis fuse block. (See "Troubleshooting" on page 2-19.)

NOTE: Check fuses #16-Step Alarm and #24-Radio/Acc. There is also a fuse on the back of the HWH leveling system control pad, which may be unfastened from the driver door to inspect.

If an apparent cause is not found, call the number on your Winnebago Industries *Premium Roadside Assistance* card. They will dispatch a service vehicle to your location to push the room extension in so the coach may be driven to your dealer for service of the slideout control system.

NOTE: The following information may be needed by the service operator to prepare the bedroom slideout for the "push-in" procedure.



## **Bedroom Slideout Emergency "Push-In" Procedure**

- Open the two hydraulic line valves on the *front* side of the pump to relieve hydraulic line pressure. (See Step 1 under "Slideout Room Emergency Crank-In" on previous pages.)
- DO NOT OPEN THE FOUR VALVES ON THE REAR SIDE OF THE PUMP. These regulate the coach leveling jacks.
- Apply a steady inward pressure of approximately 150 lbs. to the exterior sidewall of the slideout room to push the room in toward the coach until it is snug against the main coach sidewall.
- NOTE: Use some type of rigid, padded material to protect the sidewall from punctures, dents or other damage to the finish from any device or equipment used to press the sidewall in.
- Pressure must be applied evenly to avoid binding of the hydraulic mechanism. It may take about 10 minutes to press the room extension inward completely.
- When the room is snug against the coach wall, close the hydraulic line valves to prevent "creep out" during transit.
- See an authorized Winnebago Industries dealer for service of the slideout control system.

## **Further Information**

See the HWH Hydraulic Room Extension operating guide included in your Owner's Info-Case for further instructions and troubleshooting information.



## IN CASE OF DRIVING EMERGENCY



# HAZARD WARNING FLASHER

The hazard warning flasher provides additional safety when the vehicle must be stopped on the side of the roadway and presents a possible hazard to other motorists. When the flasher is on, it serves as a warning to the other drivers to approach and overtake your vehicle with caution.

## **WARNING**

Operating the hazard warning flasher system while moving on the highway is illegal.

The front and rear turn signals will flash intermittently when the flashers are in operation. When it is necessary to leave the vehicle, the flasher system will continue to operate with the ignition key removed.

See page 2-3 for information on operating the hazard warning flashers.



## IF YOU GET A FLAT TIRE

In case of sudden tire failure, avoid heavy brake application. Gradually decrease speed. Hold steering wheel firmly and move slowly to a safe, off-road place. Park on a level spot, set the parking brake, turn off the ignition, and turn on the hazard warning flasher system.

## **Emergency Road Service**

Because of the size of this vehicle and the possible complications involved in tire changing, this coach is not supplied with a spare tire. If you experience a tire related road emergency, call the number on your Winnebago Industries *Premium Roadside Assistance* card. A road side tire service unit will be quickly dispatched to your location to service your tire on the spot. A qualified tire road service center has the necessary equipment and

expertise to handle road tire emergencies quickly and safely..



## **RECOVERY TOWING**

When calling a professional towing service, we recommend that you advise them of your coach length and approximate front axle weight. This will allow the towing operator to determine the proper towing equipment to use. (This information is found on the vehicle certification label located to the left of the steering wheel.)

We recommend that you ask for an underlift (wheel lift or frame lift) type towing assembly for safe towing.

Winnebago Industries does not assume responsibility for damage incurred while towing this vehicle.

NOTE: Consult the Freightliner chassis operating guide for any additional towing instructions or precautions provided by the chassis manufacturer.

### **CAUTION**

Do not lift on bumper. Damage will result to front end body parts.

## WARNING

Stay out from beneath the motor home while it is suspended by the towing assembly unless the vehicle is adequately supported by safety stands. Do not allow passengers to occupy a towed vehicle.

NOTE: Know and obey all state and local towing regulations. Tow at reduced speed.

## SECTION 3 IN CASE OF DRIVING EMERGENCY

## **JUMP STARTING**

If your coach will not start from the automotive batteries, try using the aux. start switch to divert power from the coach batteries to the starter. (See Aux. Start Switch on page 2-14.) If you wish to try jump starting the engine using another vehicle or booster system, here are basic guidelines for connecting jumper cables to automotive electrical systems.

#### WARNING

Automotive batteries produce caustic acid, explosive gases, and electrical current which may cause burns. It is important that the instructions below are followed **exactly**, or personal injury (particularly to eyes) or property damage may result due to battery explosion, battery acid, or electrical (short circuit) burns.

- NEVER smoke near the battery or expose it to open flame or electrical sparks.
- Wear eye protection or shield your eyes while working near battery, in case an explosion does occur. NEVER lean over a battery.
- Do not allow battery fluid to contact eyes, skin, clothing, or painted surfaces. Immediately flush any contacted area with water. If eyes are affected, seek medical help after flushing.
- Remove all metal jewelry to lessen the risk of a short circuit occurring.

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## CONNECTING JUMPER CABLES

1. Make sure that the other vehicle has a 12-volt battery and negative ground compatible with your vehicle's electrical system.

- 2. Position the vehicle with the good battery so that the jumper cables will reach, but **do not allow the vehicles to touch.**
- 3. Turn off all electrical accessories, motors, and lights except those needed for safety or to light up the work area. Place automatic transmission in N (Neutral) and apply parking brake. Be sure parking brakes are engaged in both vehicles.
- 4. If the weak battery has filler caps, make sure the electrolyte is at proper level. Add distilled water if fluid is low. If electrolyte is not visible or appears to be frozen do not attempt jump starting! A battery may rupture or explode if the electrolyte is frozen or not filled to the proper level.
- 5. Connect one end of the positive "+" (red) jumper cable to the positive "+" terminal of the weak battery. Connect the other end to the positive "+" terminal of the charged battery.
- 6. Connect one end of the negative "-" (black) jumper cable to the negative "-" terminal of the charged battery.
- 7. Finally, connect the remaining end of the negative "-" (black) cable to a solid, metal grounded location on the engine of the vehicle with the weak battery, at a point at least 18 inches from the battery. Do not connect to any moving parts. THE MAIN SAFETY PRECAUTION IS TO MAKE THE FINAL GROUND CONNECTION ON THE ENGINE AT A SAFE DISTANCE FROM THE BATTERY. THIS HELPS TO REDUCE THE CHANCE OF EXPLOSION DUE TO SPARKS.
- 8. Start the engine of the vehicle with the charged battery, and allow it to run for a few minutes at moderate r.p.m. Then start the engine of the vehicle with the discharged battery.
- 9. Reverse the above sequence EXACTLY when removing the jumper cables. Start by removing the cable from the ground location on the engine first, then continue in reverse sequence.



## **WARNING**

Do not attempt to push-start this vehicle. Damage to the transmission or other parts of the vehicle could occur.

# CONNECTING A BATTERY CHARGER

To connect a battery charger, first make sure the engine is switched off. Disconnect the positive (+) lead from the battery. Never disconnect the battery while the engine is running or alternator damage could result.

Connect the positive "+" (red) lead of the charger to the positive "+" terminal on the battery. Next, connect the negative "-" (black) lead of the charger to a suitable ground. Finally, plug in or switch on the charger.

To disconnect the charger after charging, unplug the charger from the electrical outlets, remove the charger leads from the vehicle, and reconnect the vehicle leads to the battery.



## **ENGINE OVERHEAT**

If you see or hear steam escaping from the radiator or the engine compartment or have any other reason to suspect an extreme engine overheating condition, pull the vehicle over to the roadside as soon as it is safe to do so, stop the engine and get out of the vehicle.

### **WARNING**

Operating a vehicle under a severe overheating condition can result in damage to the vehicle and may result in personal injury.

An engine will overheat if the water pump drive belt breaks, if the coolant is low or there is a loss of coolant because of one or more of the following:

- a leak in the cooling system
- a hose failure
- water pump failure

Also, be aware of the following situations, which can cause temporary engine overheating:

- climbing a long hill on a hot day
- idling while stopped in traffic for long periods of time
- towing a trailer or automobile
- stopping after a period of high speed driving

If the TEMP indicator on the instrument panel shows a rise in engine coolant temperature while driving, take the following steps to try to lower the overheating:

- If you are using the automotive air conditioner, turn it off.
- If you are stopped in traffic, shift the transmission into N (Neutral), and engage parking brake.

If the temperature does not drop within a minute or two:

- Pull the vehicle over to the roadside as soon as it is safe to do so.
- Place the transmission in N (Neutral) and press the accelerator to increase engine speed (r.p.m.'s) to twice that of normal idle speed, and hold it there for approximately two or three minutes.
- If engine temperature does not go down, turn the engine off and wait until the engine has cooled before opening the engine compartment

When no trace of escaping steam is heard or seen, open the hood to check for the cause of the overheat. Check hose connections and tighten if necessary. Make sure there are no broken belts, pulleys or hoses before adding any coolant to the coolant reservoir.

For further information about overheating, consult your Freightliner chassis operating guide.



# TRAVELING WITH YOUR MOTORHOME



(See also SAFETY PRECAUTIONS, Section 1 of this manual.)



# LOADING THE VEHICLE

When loading the vehicle, distribute the cargo load equally so that you do not exceed either the Front or Rear Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR) or the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR). The Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR) means the weight value specified by the chassis manufacturer as the load carrying capacity of a single axle system as measured at the tire-to-ground interfaces. This is the total weight a given axle is capable of carrying. Each axle has its own rating.

Have your vehicle weighed to determine the proper load distribution for your vehicle. Also distribute cargo side-to-side so the weight on each tire or dual set does not exceed one half of the GAWR for either axle.

For example, if the Front GAWR is 6,000 lbs., there should be no more than 3,000 lbs. on each tire. (If the left side weighs 3,100 lbs. and the right side weighs 2,700 lbs., at least 100 lbs. of the load should be shifted from the left side to the right side.) The GVWR is listed on the Vehicle Certification Label. (See page 0-3).

The total combined weight allowed for the vehicle, including trailer towing load weight, is known as the Gross Combined Weight Rating (GCWR). If trailer towing is not recommended, the GCWR will equal the GVWR.

NOTE: We recommend that you dump all holding tanks before traveling to avoid carrying unnecessary weight.

### **CAUTION**

The weight of the loaded vehicle (including options, attachments, passengers, water, fuel, luggage and all other cargo) must not exceed the GVWR or GAWR of either axle.



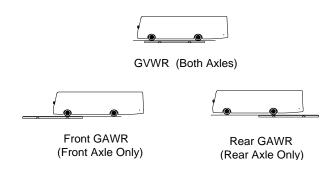
# FRONT AXLE TIRE ALIGNMENT

We recommend that you have the front suspension and steering alignment checked and adjusted after you have fully loaded the vehicle according to your needs. Thereafter, have alignment inspected periodically to maintain vehicle steering performance and prevent uneven tire wear.



To check the weight of your fully loaded coach, locate a commercial weighing scale that is capable of weighing large trucks.

Drive the entire coach onto the scale. This weight should not exceed the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) specified on the Vehicle Certification Label near the driver seat. (See sample on page 0-3.)



To determine the weight on either front or rear axle, drive that axle only onto the scale. Neither axle weight should exceed the corresponding maximum axle weight rating specified on the certification label.





## **MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY**

The following label is placed in a visible location in the driver compartment.

BELTED SEATING POSITIONS MAY EXCEED SLEEPING CAPACITY OF THIS VEHICLE. SEE OWNER MANUAL FOR OCCUPANCY AND WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS.

The number of belted seating positions in your motor home may exceed the number people used to determine maximum coach occupancy, called the Net Carrying Capacity (NCC) in the U.S. or Cargo Carrying Capacity (CCC) in Canada.

To calculate the NCC or CCC, Winnebago uses vehicle sleeping capacity, however your coach may be equipped with more belted seating positions than sleeping positions to give passengers a choice of seating arrangements. You may use all of the belted seating positions providing you stay within your vehicle's GVWR listed on the Vehicle Certification Label (see page 0-3). However you use or load your vehicle, it is your responsibility to keep the weight within its stated gross vehicle weight rating.



## **ROOF LOADING**

The roof is capable of carrying some light-weight articles while the vehicle is in motion. A roof-mounted luggage carrier designed for this purpose is available from your dealer. However, roof load while the vehicle is in motion is not to exceed 10 pounds per square foot or a maximum of 100 pounds.

When the vehicle is stationary, a cargo load of 100 pounds plus the weight of a 225 pound person to load the cargo or to conduct inspection and maintenance is permissible.

Weight added to both the roof and the trailer hitch contribute to the gross vehicle weight, which must not exceed the vehicle's GVWR.



## Freightliner Chassis

Hitch pulling cap.: 5,000 lbs. max Tongue weight: 500 lbs. max.

The factory installed towing hitch on this coach is rated to pull a 5,000 lb. load (max.), however this does not necessarily mean that you can always tow a 5,000 lb. load. The combined weight of the loaded coach and the towed vehicle could exceed the chassis ratings. Do not exceed either the GVWR, the rear axle GAWR, or the chassis GCWR. See preceding items "Loading the Vehicle" and "Weighing Your Loaded Vehicle" for explanation of these weight ratings. Always be aware of the loaded weight of your coach and the weight of any towed vehicle.

Because of individual vehicle use and loading habits, we recommend weighing the vehicle while fully loaded to avoid exceeding any of the listed Gross Weight Ratings. See "Vehicle Certification Label" on page 0-3 for information on gross weight ratings.

Towing will affect vehicle handling, durability and fuel economy. Exceeding any of the listed Gross Weight Ratings will result in unacceptable overall vehicle performance. Maximum safety and satisfaction when towing depends on proper use of correct equipment. A hitch bar of appropriate steel and size should be selected to mate with the Winnebago towing receptor.

Installation of a proper trailer brake system is recommended. Check state regulations on trailer weight and trailer brake requirements to be sure you select the right equipment before towing.

Before descending a steep or long grade when towing a trailer, reduce speed and shift into a lower gear to control vehicle speed. Avoid prolonged or frequent application of brakes which could cause overheating and brake failure.



#### WARNING

For safety towing and vehicle handling, maintain proper trailer weight distribution.

The total weight of the motor home and the vehicle towed must not exceed the Gross Combined Vehicle Weight rating. Contact the chassis manufacturer to obtain the Gross Combined Vehicle Weight rating for your chassis.

#### **CAUTION**

Exceeding any of the recommended gross vehicle weight ratings may result in vehicle damage.

Do not install a frame equalizing type hitch on your vehicle.

See also - Trailer wiring connector, page 6-10.



## PRE-TRAVEL CHECK LIST

Before starting the engine to leave on a trip, be sure your motor home has been properly prepared and maintained. This will ensure an enjoyable trip and help avoid delays. Use this checklist as a guide.

- Fluid Levels Check and fill if necessary:
  - engine oil
  - transmission
  - power steering
  - radiator
  - brake
  - battery
  - windshield washer
- Wheel Lug Nuts Check for tightness
- Tires Check for proper cold inflation pressures as specified on the Vehicle Certification Label.
- Drive Belts Check for proper condition and tension (not cracked, frayed, or loose, etc.)
- 110-Volt Generator (Optional) Check oil level in generator engine.

#### WARNING

Never check oil level in generator while engine is operating.

- Fire Extinguisher Make sure it is fully charged and secured in mounting bracket.
- Lights Make sure all exterior lights operate.
- Sewer and Water Supply Hose Unhook and store
- TV Antenna Make certain the TV antenna is lowered and seated in its support cradle.
- Loose Items Inside the Motor Home Store or secure items.
- Pilot Lights Make sure all pilots are off.
- Fuel Tanks Check level.
- Water Tank Fill with fresh water.
- Exterior Door and Step Make sure doors are closed, locked and step retracted.
- Seats Adjusted for comfortable position and locked in place.
- Mirrors Adjust for maximum visibility from driver's seat.

## TRAVEL TIPS

As you travel around the country in your motor home, you will pick up useful advice from other motor home owners.

A number of suggestions can also be obtained by reading articles and regular columns in outdoor and camping magazines. Some magazines and publishing companies print an annual park and campground directory. These can be found at your local news stand or RV supply dealer. Here are a few travel tips to begin with.

- 1. Always check for sufficient clearance. Know the height and width of your unit.
- 2. Always fill the fresh water tank at an approved potable water filling facility or a known purified drinking water source. Taste the water before filling the water tank in an unfamiliar location. The water in some areas may contain an undesirable taste. Do not use a new hose to fill the water tank. It can leave a distinct rubber or vinyl taste.
- 3. Showers can take a lot of water. Conserve water by taking a "Sea Shower". This is done by wetting down, turning off the water, soaping thoroughly and then rinsing.



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- 4. Dump sewage only at approved dumping stations.
- 5. Store liquids in plastic containers with tight fitting caps to prevent spills.
- 6. Keep an eye on the water and holding tank levels. It is a good idea to dump the holding tank at least every two days.
- 7. When traveling with children, it is helpful to plan their wardrobe for a week. Place each days clothing in a plastic bag and label the bag with the child's name and day of the week for use.
- 8. Use sleeping bags whenever possible. They save laundry and take up less storage space than bedding.
- 9. Make sure all compartment doors have been closed and the door step has been stowed in the correct position before moving the vehicle.
- 10. Before traveling, make sure the refrigerator door has been secured. Use care when opening the refrigerator door after the vehicle has been stopped. Any articles that have shifted may fall out when the door is opened.
- 11. During peak tourist season and holidays, it is best to phone ahead and make reservations at the park where you plan to stop.
- 12. Some states or cities will not permit vehicles with LP gas containers to pass through highway tunnels. If your route includes a tunnel, check with the highway patrol or department of highways to avoid inconvenience.
- 13. Do not leave food or odor-causing material in your vehicle for extensive periods of time. Always allow damp clothing, swimwear, hunting gear, etc., to dry before stowing.
- 14. Become familiar with the fire extinguisher and make sure it is always fully charged. Remove and replace it and read instructions so you know the correct operating procedure before an emergency happens
- 15. Make a list of all groceries, fresh meats, vegetables, newspapers, etc., that you may need and try to pick them up during your last fuel stop of the day. This will prevent leaving a good parking spot once you have arrived at your destination.
- 16. When you sit over the front wheels while driving, as in a motor home, you have a tendency to crowd the middle of the road. Check the side view mirror frequently to observe how close you are driving to the center line.



## SEVERE WEATHER INFORMATION

One of the more serious conditions affecting the motor home traveler and camper is that of the weather. Whether you travel the high mountain terrain, the lower deserts and flatland or the plains of the midwest, the weather is always with you and subject to change, sometimes with little or no warning. However, adequate warnings are normally broadcast over local radio and TV stations.

Motor home travelers and campers often seek secluded areas for weekend recreation or extended summer vacations. Many recreational areas are vulnerable to severe weather situations, especially flash flooding conditions. A few simple precautions may help lessen the hazards of flash flooding or reduce your immediate involvement.

NOTE: We recommend that all motor home occupants become familiar with these safety precautions, and be alert to change in weather.

- Be alert, because thunderstorms can form at any time, in any month of the year. Thunderstorms can produce large amounts of rain over a small area in a short time, which may result in a flash flood. Listen frequently to weather reports on the radio for weather and flood conditions.
- When camping near a stream, leave plenty of sloping bank between you and the stream.
- Avoid deep canyons and dry washes during stormy or threatening weather. Be aware of alternate exits.
- If heavy rain occurs, move to high ground immediately (at least 30-40 feet above the canyon floor or bottom of dry wash).
- During a flash flood, if you cannot move your vehicle, abandon it. Do not attempt to return to your vehicle before the water has receded.



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- Do not attempt to wade to your vehicle if the water is above your knees - fast moving water exerts an enormous amount of pressure, making it impossible to remain standing or walking.
- Do not try to drive through flooded areas.
- Follow instructions of local authorities.
   Leave immediately when advised to do so.
   Many lives have been lost because people did not heed warnings.
- Have on hand survival supplies for several days, including food, water, first aid equipment and necessary medications. In desert areas during hot weather allow 3-4 gallons of drinking water per person, per day.
- Before you leave home, inform someone of your destination and when you expect to return. Authorities at your destination should be notified immediately if you do not arrive on time.

#### **REMEMBER THESE TERMS:**

**WATCH:** Severe weather may develop in the specified area. Be alert and prepare for possibility of an emergency.

**WARNING:** Severe weather is occurring or is imminent in certain areas. Move to a safe location immediately.

We highly recommend that you obtain a weather radio. These radios offer up-to-date weather reports. The latest information and forecasts are broadcast by local National Weather Service offices in recorded messages that last from three to five minutes. These messages are replayed continually 24 hours a day. The recorded messages are revised every three to four hours, or more frequently when appropriate.

When severe weather threatens, forecasters at the local National Weather Service office interrupt the broadcasts with storm warnings, either recorded or "live" as the situation demands.

The frequencies used for NOAA Weather Radio (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Admin-

istration) nationwide are 162.40, 162.475 or 162.55 megahertz.



## **NIGHTTIME DRIVING**

- Make sure all running lights and signal lights are clean and in working order. Have your headlights periodically checked and adjusted.
- Use care when passing other vehicles. Your motor home is a longer vehicle than a car, and you may have a more difficult time knowing when to pull back into your lane. If possible, have another person in the coach help you watch while maneuvering your motor home in traffic.



## **MOUNTAIN DRIVING**

Special techniques must be used when driving in mountainous or hilly country.

#### **CLIMBING A HILL**

The transmission will automatically downshift as needed to climb most hills. If the hill is long or very steep, however, you may need to manually shift to a lower gear to keep the transmission from repeatedly upshifting and downshifting. Select the lowest adequate gear range for the duration of the incline. See the Allison transmission manual in your Owner's InfoCase for specific instructions.

#### **CAUTION**

Observe the engine temperature gauge more frequently than normal. If overheating occurs, pull off to the side of the road and allow the engine to thoroughly cool before refilling the radiator and restarting the engine.

## **DESCENDING A HILL**

When going down a long grade, you may need to manually shift to a lower gear, rather than keeping your foot on the brake pedal. A lower



gear will allow the engine to provide a degree of braking action. Holding your foot on the brake pedal for an extended period may cause brakes to overheat, causing you to lose control of the vehicle. See your chassis operating guide for more information. See also Jacobs Extarder Exhaust Braking System on page 2-3 or the Jacobs Extarder user guide for exhaust braking information.

### **CAUTION**

Observe the engine temperature gauge more frequently than normal. If overheating occurs, pull off to the side of the road and allow the engine to cool thoroughly before restarting the engine.

## **CAMPSITE SELECTION**

Try to pick as level a spot as possible on which to park your motor home. Whether you nose into a parking site or back into it depends on personal preference and the location of the site's utility hook-ups. Remember that the utility connections on your motor home are on the left (driver) side of the vehicle.



## **LEVELING**

(See "Coach Leveling Systems" on page 2-15).

Leveling the motor home is very important, not only for your comfort but for appliances and plumbing as well. Some refrigerators are extremely sensitive to being off level. The ammonia vapor cooling system used in most RV refrigerators can "lock-up" and damage the refrigerator if it is not level. This is both inconvenient and costly. Also, water and holding tank level indicators may give false readings because water level is greater at one side of the tank than the other.

The refrigerator is installed level at the factory. So, if the refrigerator is level, the motor home is level. A small bubble-level sight is included in

the refrigerator to help you determine refrigerator leveling.

NOTE: We do not recommend lifting any of the wheels off the ground for leveling. This could allow the coach to roll off the jacks, possibly resulting in damage to the vehicle.

## **Hydraulic Leveling System - Optional**

See *Coach Leveling Systems* on page 2-15 for operating information.



## EFFECTS OF PROLONGED OCCUPANCY

Your motor home was designed primarily for recreational use and short term occupancy. If you expect to occupy your coach for an extended period, be prepared to deal with condensation and humid conditions that may be encountered.

NOTE: Your coach is not designed or intended to be used as permanent housing. Using this product for long term occupancy or permanent housing may lead to premature deterioration of structure, interior finishes, fabrics, carpeting and drapes. Damage or deterioration due to long term occupancy may not be considered normal and, under the terms of the warranty, may constitute misuse, abuse, or neglect, and may therefore reduce your warranty protection.



# HUMIDITY AND CONDENSATION

Moisture condensing on the inside of windows is a visible indication that there is too much humidity inside the coach. Excessive moisture can cause water stains or mildew which can damage interior items such as upholstery and cabinets. When you recognize the signs of excessive moisture and condensation in your coach, you should take immediate action to min-



imize their affects. You can help reduce excessive moisture inside the motor home by taking the following steps:

**Ventilate with outside air:** Partially open one or more windows and a roof vent to circulate outside air through the coach. In cold weather, this ventilation may increase operation of the furnace, but will greatly reduce condensation inside the coach.

## Minimize moisture released inside the coach:

Run the range hood fan while cooking, and open a bath vent while bathing or showering to carry water vapor out of the coach. Avoid making steam from boiling water excessively or letting hot water run. Avoid bringing extra moisture into the coach by way of soaked clothing or snow on shoes. Do not hang-dry wet overcoats or clothing inside the coach.





(See also Safety Precautions, Section 1 of this manual.)



## LP GAS SUPPLY

The LP gas system supplies fuel for the range, water heater, furnace and refrigerator (while in gas mode). When used and handled properly, this system is safe and economical and provides modern living conveniences wherever you travel.



## SAFE USE OF THE LP GAS SYSTEM

The LP system is designed and built with strict adherence to both federal and recreational vehicle industry requirements for mobile LP gas equipment.

For your safety, there are many safety devices and backup systems installed, such as tank fill overflow valves, an interior LP gas detector/alarm, and an interior carbon monoxide (CO) detector/alarm.

LP gas also contains an odor additive that you can smell if LP is present in the air.

Listed below are a few precautions to observe that will help you to use the LP gas system safely.

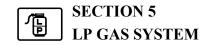
- Exercise caution at all times. Be familiar with the distinctive odor of LP gas. If a leak is suspected, turn off the supply valve immediately. Have the LP gas system checked by your dealer or a qualified LP gas service center.
- Do not tamper with the LP gas piping system, pressure regulator or gas appliances. Service and maintenance of LP gas system components should be performed only by your dealer or a qualified LP gas service center.
- Never attempt to connect natural gas to the LP gas system.

- Have the entire LP gas system inspected for possible leaks and missing or damaged parts at each tank filling. Also inspect before and after each trip, and any time trouble is suspected.
- Turn the LP supply valve off when not using the LP gas system.
- Never use a wrench to tighten the tank supply valve. It is designed to close leak-tight by hand. If a wrench is required to completely close the valve, it is defective and must be replaced.
- Never allow the tank to be filled above the 80 percent level indicated by the flow of liquid gas out of the overflow valve or by the automatic stop-fill device.
- Be sure appliance and outside vents are open and free from obstruction when using the LP gas system.
- Never attach a lock or any device requiring a key to the LP tank compartment door. According to standards set for recreation vehicles, the LP supply valve must be readily accessible in an emergency.
- Exercise caution when drilling holes or attaching objects to the walls. Gas lines and electrical wiring could be seriously damaged and present an extreme safety hazard.

### **HOW LP GAS WORKS**

LP (Liquified Petroleum) gas is a true gas compressed into liquid form for easy transportation and storage. LP gas is available in two types - propane and butane. It is also called tank gas, bottle gas, or simply LP.

LP is used by appliances in vapor form only, but is stored in the tank as a liquid under very high pressure. As the liquid gas is released, it reverts back to a vapor and expands to many times its compressed volume.







## SELECTING LP FUEL TYPES

We recommend using straight propane in your LP tank. Propane gas is commonly available at all LP gas outlets in the U.S. and Canada (According to the National LP Gas Association, LP gas outlets in the United States do not offer any other type of liquefied petroleum gas than propane to the general public.) Check local phone directory yellow pages for locations of local LP gas refilling stations or bulk dealerships.

NOTE: If you travel outside the U.S. with your motor home, you may find butane or propane/butane mixtures available in addition to propane. Because gas-burning RV appliances are designed to run on propane only, we recommend that you request straight propane only. Butane burns about 30 percent hotter than propane and can overheat some appliances, particularly refrigerators, and cause permanent damage. Other appliances designed to operate on propane can become sooted and lose efficiency by using butane fuel.

#### LP GAS OUTPUT

Each gallon of liquid LP gas contains approximately 92,000 BTU's of heat energy; or about 36.2 cubic feet of dry gas for cooking, heating, water heating and refrigeration.

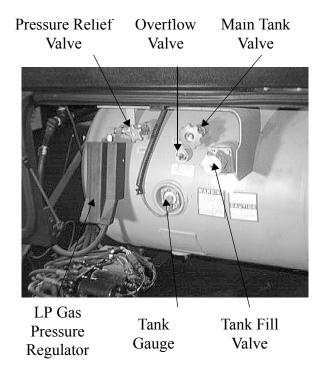
LP gas tank capacities are often listed in pounds rather than gallons. A gallon of LP weighs 4.24 pounds. LP tanks can only be filled to 80% of their total capacity, so your 130-pound tank would actually hold 104 pounds, or about 24.5 gallons.

To find out how long a gallon of LP gas will last, you should determine the total BTU **input** on all your LP gas appliances in use. Let's say you have a furnace that has a 10,000 BTU **input** per hour of operation. A gallon of LP gas would last 9.2 hours of continuous operation (92,000 BTU's ÷ by 10,000 BTU's = 9.2). To estimate how long a gallon of LP gas lasts, try to deter-

mine what your total daily BTU input is, then divide into 92,000 to arrive at an approximate daily LP gas consumption.

#### LP TANK SYSTEM

The storage reservoir for the LP gas system is a horizontally mounted tank which is permanently attached to the vehicle frame. The tank is accessible only from the outside of the vehicle. The tank supply valve is located near the top center of the tank, next to the regulator. Before opening the supply valve, check to be sure all controls for gas appliances are in the "Off" or "Pilot Off" position. If this step is not performed, LP gas could accumulate inside the motor home creating a fire or explosion hazard.



### REFILLING LP TANK

There are many LP gas refueling stations located throughout the country. These stations are listed in the telephone directory Yellow Pages under "Gas - Liquified Petroleum - Bottled and Bulk."

Since the LP tank is permanently mounted to the frame, the motor home must be driven to an LP supplier for filling. Do not attempt to remove the LP tank from the vehicle. The tank is equipped with a fill adapter with both internal and external threads which allows easy filling with any LP filling equipment. The tank is full when liquid LP gas appears at the overflow valve.

NOTE: The LP tank is equipped with an automatic 80% stop-fill device.



## LP Gas Tank Capacity:

.....\*31 gal. (39 gal. w.c.)

\* LP Gas tank capacity shown is the usable "full" LP gas capacity, which is 80% of the tank manufacturer's listed water capacity (w.c. shown in parenthesis). An LP tank must have at least 20% of tank volume free to allow for expansion and proper vaporization of the liquid fuel. The tank is also equipped with mandatory safety shut-off equipment that prevents filling above this level.

### **WARNING**

Make sure the filling attendant uses the 80% overflow valve when filling the tank. A tank should never be filled above 80% level to allow for vaporization and liquid expansion.

Do not place LP gas containers inside the vehicle. LP gas containers are equipped with safety devices which relieve excessive pressure by discharging gas to the atmosphere.

Do not place LP gas containers, gasoline, or other flammable liquids inside the vehicle. Fire or explosion may result

#### AIR IN THE LP GAS TANK

If your LP gas appliances do not stay lit or require frequent adjustment, even though you know the LP tank contains sufficient fuel, the problem may be air in the LP gas tank. Air in the tank mixes with the LP gas vapors causing them

to burn poorly. This condition could linger for weeks if the air is not purged from the tank. Most LP gas dealers have equipment for purging air from LP gas tanks and will purge before refilling the tank.

#### TRAVEL WITH LP GAS

It is illegal for vehicles equipped with LP tanks to travel on certain roadways or through certain tunnels in the U.S. To avoid inconvenience, check state regulations concerning flammable gas transportation.

#### WARNING

Do not alter or remove LP tank gauge at any time.

### **WARNING**

DO NOT FILL CONTAINER TO MORE THAN 80 PERCENT OF CAPACITY. Make sure the motor home is level when filling. It is possible to accidentally overfill the tank if the vehicle is unlevel, with the fill valve on the uphill side. Overfilling the LP gas tank can result in uncontrolled gas flow, which can cause fire or explosion. A properly filled container will contain approximately 80 percent of its volume as liquid LP gas.

All pilot lights must be extinguished and supply valve closed before refilling LP gas tanks or vehicle fuel tanks.

**Do not smoke or expose an open flame** while near an LP refueling area. LP gas is heavier-than-air and extremely flammable.

Never use an open flame to test for LP gas leaks.

Replace all protective covers and caps on LP system before filling.

**Never** fill the LP tank with engine or generator running.



### REGULATOR

The pressure regulator is protected from the elements by a plastic cover which should be left in place at all times. Only your dealer or a qualified LP gas service should remove the regulator cover for adjustments.

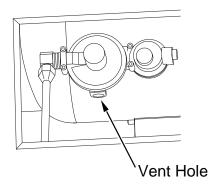
#### WARNING

Inspect the pressure regulator vent hole periodically for blockage. If any obstruction is apparent, have the regulator serviced by your dealer or a qualified LP gas service center.

LP gas regulators are installed with the diaphragm vent facing downward. Make sure that the regulator vent always faces downward to minimize vent obstruction which could result in excessive pressure, causing a fire or explosion.

Regulator freeze-ups are caused by the presence of moisture in fuel. This moisture will pass through the cylinder valve and into the regulator where it can freeze. Fuel producers, tank and bottle manufacturers and LP gas dealers take every precaution to reduce moisture, but sometimes only a fraction of an ounce entering the tank can cause problems. To help avoid the possibility of freeze-up, always keep tank control valve closed when not in use, even when tank is empty, to prevent moisture from collecting on the inside.

If regulator freeze-up should occur, you may attempt to thaw the regulator using a light bulb. **DO NOT USE AN OPEN FLAME OR HEAT LAMP.** 



Typical LP Pressure Regulator

If moisture begins to cause problems, have your LP gas dealer inject a small amount of dry methyl alcohol in your tank (approximately one once to 20 pounds or one pint to 100 gallons) to help guard against regulator freeze-ups.

In very cold weather when a large volume of gas is being used for heating, it is possible to experience a loss of gas pressure. At first, this problem may appear to be caused by a regulator freeze-up, but is actually caused by failure of the liquid gas to vaporize as fast as it is needed. As the temperature becomes colder, it is increasingly harder for the liquid LP gas to vaporize. At the same time, the demand for LP to produce heat increases to the point where the system cannot maintain production.

The only solution to this problem is to reduce the consumption of gas where possible. Adjusting the temperature on the gas/electric refrigerator may be a first step. Using less hot water will help as well.



## LP GAS LEAKS

The following label has been placed in the vehicle near the range area. If you smell gas within the vehicle, quickly and carefully perform the procedures listed.







### IF YOU SMELL GAS

- 1. Extinguish any open flames, pilot lights and all smoking materials.
- 2. Do not touch electrical switches.
- 3. Shut off the gas supply at the tank valve(s) or gas supply connection.
- 4. Open doors and other ventilating openings.
- 5. Leave the area until odor clears.
- 6. Have the gas system checked and leakage source corrected before using again.

### WARNING

Never use an open flame to test for gas leaks. When testing for gas lines leaks with a soapy water solution, DO NOT use a detergent containing ammonia or chlorine. These substances may generate a chemical reaction causing corrosion to gas lines, resulting in dangerous leak conditions.

LP GAS ALARM - See page 1-2.



### WINTER USE OF LP GAS

Due to vaporization characteristics of LP gas, it is important that the winter camper knows how to most efficiently use the LP system. The vaporization rate of LP gas decreases in a direct relationship to a decrease in temperature. Propane will convert to a usable gas at temperatures down to -44°F. For this reason, propane is a popular heating fuel in cold climates.

The greater the amount of liquid gas in the tank (up to 80% level) the greater the amount of LP gas vapor generated. The following is an example of the number of BTU's available from an 84-pound tank at 0° F at three levels. As you can see, the number of BTU's decreases as the tank is emptied. Nearly twice as many BTU's are available from a full tank than one that is one-fourth full.

## BTU's Available at 0° F.

Tank Level	BTU's
80%	64,000
50%	50,400
20%	33,000

The following LP Gas Vaporization and Temperature Relationship chart typifies the LP gas loss with a decrease in temperature. The percentage figures are the increase or decrease of vapor that would be available at 0°F. These figures apply to any size LP gas tanks.

	Percentage of BTU
<u>Temperature</u>	Available at 0° F.
20° F.	200%
10° F.	150%
0° F.	100%
-5° F.	75%
-10° F.	50%
-15° F.	25%
-20° F.	12 1/2%
-44° F.	Propane will
	not vaporize



# SECTION 6 ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

(See also Safety Precautions, Section 1 of this manual.)

Your coach is equipped with an electrical system consisting of two separate voltages; a 12-volt DC system and a 110-volt AC system. The 12-volt system consists of two internal power sources, while the 110-volt system is operated from an outside power source, or from the optional 110-volt generator or 110-volt inverter system.



## 110-VOLT AC SYSTEM

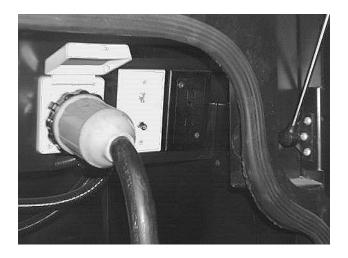
The 110-volt system operates from an outside 110-volt utility service such as those at campgrounds, or from the 110-volt generator or 110-volt inverter system. When the power cord is connected to an outside power source, or when the generator is in operation, the power converter automatically changes a portion of the 110-volt current to 12-volt DC current. All equipment in the motor home that is normally powered by the auxiliary battery is then powered through the converter.

In addition, the following equipment is entirely dependent on 110-volt current: central air conditioner, refrigerator (when placed in 110-volt mode), microwave oven, ice maker, vacuum cleaner and other 110-volt electrical equipment used at convenience outlets



## **EXTERNAL POWER CORD** (Shoreline)

The external utility power cord (commonly referred to as a "shoreline") is stored in a utility compartment on the left (driver's) side of the coach.



#### WARNING

**Do not** connect the external power cord to any receptacle **until** you have contacted the owner and/or attendant of the premises to verify proper polarity and grounding.

It is the responsibility of the owner of the electrical receptacle to ensure that the receptacle is properly wired and grounded.

Reverse polarity and improper grounding of the vehicle can cause personal injury or death

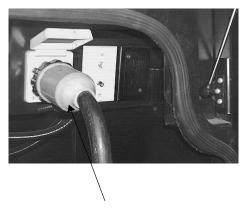
The power cord is designed to ground the electrical system through the receptacle. It is also designed to carry the amperage output of most campground outlets. If the electrical receptacle to be used is designed to mate with the prongs of the power cord plug, the electrical connection can be expected to carry rated load.

The 50-amp shoreline gives your coach extra current handling capacity. This allows you to run the central air conditioning system at maximum (both compressors running) without fear of constantly tripping circuit breakers.



## CONNECTING THE SHORELINE

To connect to an external source, remove the cord from the storage compartment and plug the coach end of the cord into the coach input receptacle. (The coach end is the large, yellow plug.)

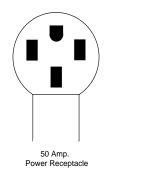


**Shoreline Connection** 

Hold the plug ground-side-down (silver plate on plug) and insert firmly into receptacle. Twist the black retainer collar on the plug handle to lock the plug onto the receptacle during use.

Then plug the shore end of the cord (black plug end) into a suitable 50-amp power receptacle to provide external power to the coach and converter/charger system.

NOTE: Some parks do not have 50-amp service available, so you will need to connect to a standard 30-amp service pole using an adaptor.





30 Amp Receptacle

A hatch in the compartment floor lets you route the shoreline cord out the bottom of the

compartment so you can shut the compartment door while the shoreline is connected. Flip the retainers straight up to remove the cover.

### **WARNING**

**Do not** plug the power cord into an outlet which is not grounded, or adapt the plug to connect to a receptacle for which it is not designed.

Be sure that all four prongs of the supply cord are properly plugged into the receptacle.

**Do not** connect the power cord to an extension cord.

#### Park Fuses or Breakers

Most campgrounds are equipped with a fuse or circuit breaker at the receptacle. This protects the park's wiring, as well as the power cord on your vehicle, from electrical damage. If electrical power fails, contact the park attendants and have them check the fuse or breaker for your supply receptacle.

After disconnecting the power cord, neatly replace it in the storage compartment.



## POWERLINE ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS)

The energy management system (EMS) monitors the electrical usage of the appliances and equipment in the coach and distributes the electrical loads to avoid nuisance tripping of the shoreline circuit breaker. This system works together with the energy efficient central air conditioner to allow you to run both compressor units at the same time on a 30-amp shoreline connection.





Please read your PowerLine Energy Management System Owner's Guide for important information on running both air conditioner compressor units at the same time. This guide will also explain how this system operates under several conditions, whether 20-amp, 30-amp or 50-amp connections.



# POWER CONVERTER SYSTEM

The power converter changes 110-volt AC current from the auxiliary generator or the shoreline into 12-volt DC current for use by 12-volt equipment in the motor home.

Certain circuits, however, remain unchanged for use by items which require 110-volt current, such as the air conditioner(s), the refrigerator in AC mode, the microwave oven, etc.

Current drawn from the coach batteries passes through the power center unchanged, although it is routed through a series of protective circuit breakers located above the range hood.

### **CAUTION**

Do not store items too closely around the inverter unit in the storage compartment. The inverter generates heat while operating and needs unrestricted airflow for proper cooling.

## INVERTER/CHARGER AND CIRCUIT BREAKER LOCATIONS

• 2000W Inverter/Charger Unit:

The inverter/charger is located on the upper rear wall of the battery compartment. The inverter/charger has a power/reset switch and two circuit breakers to protect the inverter and the AC input source from overloads. See the Heart Interface operation information for complete explanation and instructions on this system.



• Inverter Remote Panel: The Heart Interface inverter/charger also has a remote monitor/ control panel mounted above the systems monitor panel on the end of the galley extension cupboard.

Inverter Panel



Main System Monitor Panel

The remote panel can be reprogrammed for several charging configurations using dip switches on the rear side of the panel.

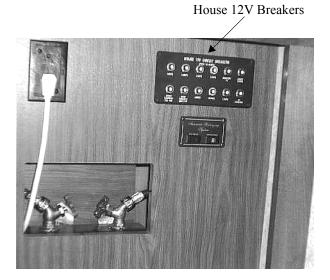
See the Heart Interface remote panel instructions in your Owner's InfoCase for complete information and specific configuration directions.

NOTE: The following illustration shows the original factory settings of the dip switches for your reference if you wish to reset to original settings after customizing the charging configuration.

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Interface Panel Dip Switches Original Configuration

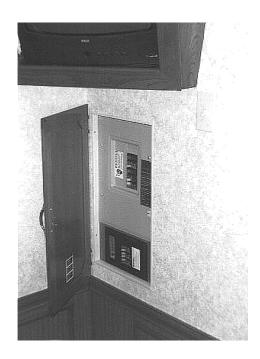
• 12-Volt House Circuit Breakers: The 12-volt house breaker panel is located in the washer/dryer compartment in the bathroom area of the coach. The panel contains pop-out breakers; push in to reset. The breakers are clearly labeled for the circuits which they protect.



\*Typical view of breaker panel. Actual fuse or breaker labels may vary according to appliance and equipment options. Fuses and breakers are labeled on panel.

## 110-VOLT CIRCUIT BREAKERS

The 110-volt circuit breaker panel is located on the left forward wall in the rear bedroom.



The breaker panel protects all 110-volt components in the motor home from either an overload on the circuit or a short in the wiring or component itself. When an overload or short developes, the breaker will open preventing any further flow of electricity and, therefore, damage to the system.

Shut off the equipment (example: air conditioner) and allow a brief cooling period. Then reset the breaker by moving the switch to "Off" and back to "On". If the breaker continually trips and no equipment is running, have the system checked for a short in the wiring or the appliances.



#### CHARGING SECTION

The house batteries are automatically charged while 110-volt external power is connected. The charger will automatically "sense" the condition of the RV battery. If it is below "full charge", the Charging Section will start charging the battery.

If the house batteries have been extremely discharged, they will accept charge at a relatively high amperage rate. If they are only slightly discharged, they will charge at a lower amperage rate. The rate of charge will decrease as the batteries reach "full charge", then will remain "trickle" charging at a very low amperage rate. If your storage battery does not charge as described above, it is possible the battery is defective.

NOTE: We do not recommend leaving the shoreline plugged in continuously during storage periods because the batteries can lose electrolytic fluids and become damaged from continuous charging without periodic use. We recommend following regular battery inspection and maintenance, especially in cold weather. See "Battery Maintenance" on page 6-10 this section.

# THERMAL OVERLOAD PROTECTOR

A thermal overload protector will shut down the converter if it becomes overheated. This can result from operating above its maximum limit for an extended period of time or by obstruction of ventilation to unit.

NOTE: 12-volt lights and motors will automatically draw from battery power in this event.

The thermal breaker will reset itself after a cool-down period, and the lights and motors will resume operating from the converter. If the overload trips again shortly after reset, take immediate steps to correct the cause of overheating. A portion of house 12-volt load (lights or motors or both) should be turned off to reduce total load. Also, inspect the invertor unit to make sure ventilation is not obstructed.

### **CAUTION**

Do not store items too closely around the inverter unit in the storage compartment. The inverter generates heat while operating and needs unrestricted airflow for proper cooling.

# 110-VOLT RECEPTACLES (OUTLETS)

A number of standard AC electrical outlets are provided throughout the coach for connecting small appliances such as televisions, radios, toasters, etc. An outlet is also located on the outside of the coach near the entrance door.

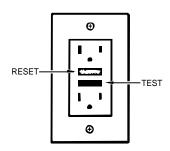


## GROUND FAULT CIRCUIT INTERRUPTER

Exterior, bath and galley outlets are connected to a GFCI (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter), which is an extremely sensitive circuit breaker that will help to protect against severe electrical shock if a ground fault develops. If such a condition occurs, the GFCI will break the circuit by turning off the power to the protected outlets. Should this occur, unplug all the appliances on that circuit and press the reset button on the GFCI equipped outlet.

If the GFCI keeps tripping, have the electrical system checked and repaired if necessary before using again.

The GFCI outlet is located in the bath and galley areas of the vehicle.





### **WARNING**

The GFCI will not completely eliminate electrical shock. Small children and persons with heart conditions or other disabilities which make them especially sensitive to electrical shock may still be injured by a 110-volt receptacles even though protected by a Ground Fault interrupter.

NOTE: In compliance with CSA electrical codes, the appliance outlet in Canadian equipped coaches is not connected to a GFCI protected circuit.



## AUXILIARY 110-VOLT GENERATOR Optional

Your coach is equipped with a diesel powered generator. Consult the generator owner's manual in your Owner's InfoCase for specific instructions on starting and stopping, troubleshooting and maintaining your generator.

NOTE: The generator draws its fuel from the main chassis fuel tank. After extensive generator use, you may notice decreased levels in the affected fuel tank.

## **WARNING**

Careless handling of the generator and electrical components can be fatal.

**Never** touch electrical leads or appliances when your hands are wet, or when standing in water or on wet ground.

**Do not** attempt to repair the generator yourself. Service should be performed by an authorized service center.

#### **Automatic Power Transfer Switch**

Your coach electrical system is equipped with an automatic power transfer switch. The transfer

switch is normally in an "off" mode when no AC current is required.

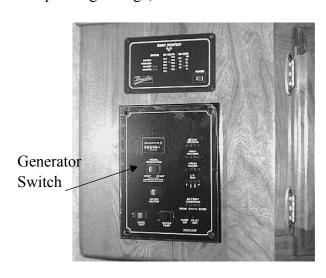
When the generator is started, the transfer unit will switch the power feed to the generator after 20 seconds. The twenty-second delay is to allow the generator to start easily without an electrical load.

Generator Power Switches: For your convenience we have mounted generator power switches in four locations throughout the coach:

- Instrument Panel
- Monitor Panel
- Bedroom (left rear night stand near radio)
- Behind Hood Panel (to right side as viewed looking in)

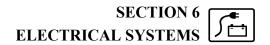
## **Starting The Diesel Generator**

- 1. Press and *hold* the generator switch ON.
- 2. If the engine is cold, the starter will not engage until after the glow plugs have preheated the engine for a few seconds for easier starting.
- 3. If the engine is already warm, the starter will immediately engage to start the engine.
- 4. Hold the starter switch on for several seconds to allow the generator to reach full operating voltage, then release.



- 5. Allow the generator to stabilize running before turning on appliances.
- Apply electrical loads. Refer to SPECIFI-CATIONS section of generator manual for





generator set output and performance ratings. Then refer to the following chart to aid in determining appliance usage during generator operation.

### **CAUTION**

Continuous generator overloading can cause high operating temperatures that can damage the generator windings. Keep the electrical loads within the generator wattage rating.

Approximate Power Requirements of Common Appliances		
pproximate Power Consumption (Watts/Amps)		
00W/1.7-4.3A 00W/4.8-6.1A 500W/7.0-13.0A 200W/4.3-10.4A 0W/0.4-1.7A 0W/0.7A 50W/2.2-6.5A 2000W/13-19A		
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## **Stopping The Generator**

- 1. Shut off electrical equipment to remove load. Allow generator to run for 3 to 5 minutes to cool down.
- 2. Press the generator switch into the OFF position and hold until the generator comes to a complete halt.

### **Generator Hourmeter**

This meter is located on the monitor panel. It registers the total number of hours that the generator has been operated. Refer to the hourmeter to determine when periodic maintenance is due and to record services which have been performed.

NOTE: While the generator is running it is normal for the hourmeter to make a periodic "ticking" sound.

## OPERATION WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS

### **WARNING**

The exhaust of all internal combustion engines contains carbon monoxide (CO). This poisonous gas is colorless, odorless, tasteless, and lighter than air. The exhaust systems of both your motor home engine and your generator engine have been installed with your safety in mind. However, certain precautions must be taken when using them to protect yourself from conditions beyond the control of the manufacturer.

- 1. **Do not** simultaneously operate the generator engine and a ventilator which could draw exhaust gases into the vehicle.
- 2. **Do not** open windows or ventilators on the end or side of the vehicle where exhaust pipe of the generator is located.
- 3. **Park the vehicle** so that the wind will carry the exhaust away from the vehicle. Also, note the position of other vehicles to be sure their exhaust will not enter your vehicle.
- 4. **Do not** operate the generator engine when parked if vegetation, snow, buildings, vehicles, or any other object can deflect the exhaust under or into the vehicle.

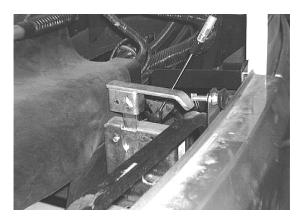
Check auxiliary generator oil level frequently during periods of use. Refer to the generator manufacturer's information in your Owner's InfoCase for specific recommendations.

### **WARNING**

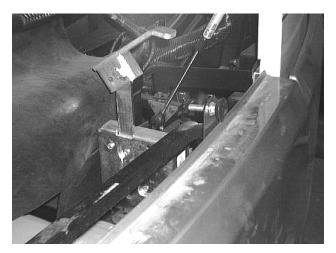
Never check generator oil level while generator engine is running.

Generator Service Tray Retainers: The generator service tray is held in by two latches at the front sides of the slide tray assembly.





Generator Service Latch - Locked



Generator Service Latch - Unlocked

### **CAUTION**

After generator service be sure generator retainers are properly latched to secure generator before driving vehicle.



## 12-VOLT DC SYSTEM

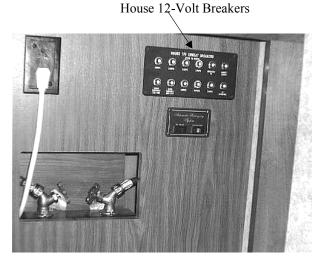
The DC voltage system consists of the automotive batteries and the 12-volt coach auxiliary batteries.

## 12-VOLT FUSES AND CIRCUIT BREAKERS

All 12-volt circuits and equipment in the coach area of the motor home are protected by a circuit breaker panel. When a circuit is overloaded or a short developes in any part of the system, a breaker will shut down that circuit. If this happens, turn off all affected lights or appliances and reset the breaker.

A label on the panel states the amperage rating and circuit protected for each breaker.

The 12-volt house breaker panel is mounted in the washer/dryer cabinet in the bathroom area of the coach.



House 12-Volt Circuit Breaker Panel

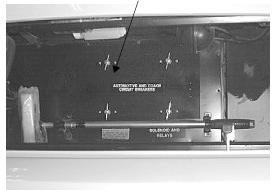
\*Typical view of breaker panel. Actual fuse or breaker labels may vary according to appliance and equipment options. Fuses and breakers are labeled on panel.

### 12-VOLT CHASSIS CIRCUIT BREAKERS

The 12-volt automotive and coach circuit breakers are located on a panel on the firewall in the engine compartment. See page 9-7 for further information.



Auto Chassis 12-Volt Breaker

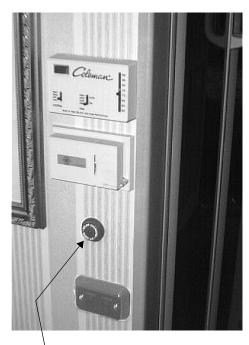


"Hood" Compartment



## **SOLAR CHARGER PANEL**

The 10-watt roof-mounted solar charger panel uses the sun to help keep your batteries charged. A charge indicator light is located on the refrigerator cabinet wall in the galley area near the dinette table.



Solar Panel Charge Indicator

The red light will glow when the solar panel is charging the coach batteries. The greater the rate of charge, the brighter the light. When the batteries reach full charge, the light will gradually dim, then darken.

NOTE: The solar battery charger is not intended to make the coach battery system "maintenance free." The solar panel will not completely compensate for continuous low amperage draw from components such as the LP gas leak detector, the clock in the dash radio and the radio station memory circuitry, for example.

Although the solar panel system can help to extend battery life, the coach shoreline should be plugged in routinely to "top off" the batteries. We also recommend following regular battery inspection and maintenance, especially in cold weather.

See "Battery Maintenance" on page 6-10 this section.



## **BATTERY INFORMATION**

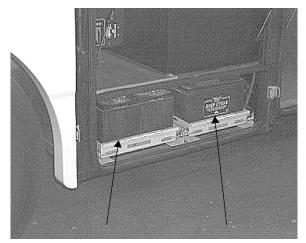
## **CHASSIS (Starting) BATTERY**

The chassis batteries are used solely to operate the engine starter and all automotive accessories and controls found on the instrument panel. This includes the horn, speed control, all exterior lights, radio, windshield wipers, rear auto heater fan, etc.

Chassis Battery Storage: The chassis (starting) batteries are located in a slide-out tray in the battery compartment on the right side of the coach. (See Exterior Features Identification on page 0-4 of the Introduction section.)

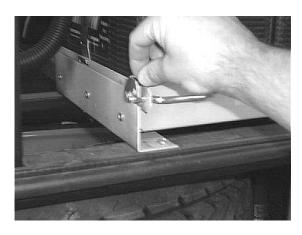
Lift the retainer catches that hold the battery tray and slide it outward for service.





**Coach Batteries** 

Chassis Batteries



Lift Battery Tray Retainer Latches

### **HOUSE BATTERIES**

The house batteries supply current to all 12-volt equipment located in the living area of the coach. This includes interior lights, range exhaust fan, furnace fan, water pump, water level and holding tank gauges, 110-volt generator starting, refrigerator, bath roof vent fan, and the rear automotive heater. The house battery may also be used to start the engine if the automotive battery is dead. Refer to "Aux. Start Switch."

The house batteries are automatically charged by the engine alternator while the engine is running.

### **House Battery Storage**

The batteries are also located in the battery compartment on the left side of the coach. See "Chassis Battery Storage" for access instructions.



## BATTERY STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE

Lead -acid type batteries are electro-chemical devices for storing and releasing electrical charge. As such, they are simply an electrical reservoir, not an electrical source. As soon as energy is removed from the battery, it should be replaced by the engine alternator or the RV converter system.

If a battery sits unused for 30 days or more, especially during warm weather, it can develop a deposit of sulfate crystals on the metal plates inside the battery. This condition is called sulfation or sulfating, and prevents the battery from either releasing or accepting a charge. If this condition occurs, the battery must be replaced.

If a battery does not contain at least 80% charge during freezing temperatures, the electrolyte can freeze and crack the battery case.

The two best defenses against either sulfating or insufficient charge are:

- 1. To disconnect the battery cables to avoid any "parasitic" discharge, and
- 2. to check the battery and recharge as necessary at least once a month during long periods of storage.

A further precaution is to remove the battery from the vehicle and store it in a cool location on a wooden or rubber pad, checking charge periodically to avoid discharge or sulfating.

To ensure that the battery will always accept and hold a charge, follow these simple maintenance practices.

- Make sure the batteries always remain securely clamped in the battery tray.
- Make sure battery cable clamps are tight on the terminal posts and are free of corrosion.
- Neutralize corrosion buildup or acid film on top of battery by washing with a baking soda/ water solution. Rinse with clear water.



NOTE: Make sure vent caps are on securely to prevent baking soda solution from entering the battery and contaminating the electrolyte fluid.

#### WARNING

Before removing any battery cables or battery, make sure all 12-volt equipment in the motor home is off and the power cord has been disconnected.

Replace any damaged cables at once. Always remove jewelry and wear protective clothing and eye covering when checking or handing batteries.

- Clean and tighten battery terminals and have the specific gravity checked at least once a year.
- Every two months, or more often in hot weather, check the battery fluid level. Fill to approximately 3/8 inch above the plates. DO NOT OVERFILL. If fluid is added during freezing weather, the motor home should be driven several miles to mix water and electrolyte to prevent freezing.
- Fluid level check may be omitted if equipped with maintenance-free batteries.

#### WARNING

To prevent wiring damage, it is essential when replacing the cables on the battery, or when using a "booster" battery, that the positive post and the positive cable be attached and the negative post and negative cable be attached. The posts are marked (+) plus and (-) minus. If a "fast charger" is used while battery is in the motor home, disconnect both battery cables before connecting the charger. Never attempt to charge or boost a frozen battery.

#### HOUSE BATTERY REPLACEMENT

This coach is equipped with deep-cycle type

batteries designed for recreational vehicle use. They will provide longer lasting power than standard automotive batteries, and will withstand the frequent drain-and-recharge cycles that occur under the demanding conditions of RV usage.

Replacement batteries should be deep-cycle type with equivalent specifications to avoid loss of electrical storage capacity.

- Deep-cycle
- 130 Amp Hr.
- 225 minutes reserve capacity
- 665 CCA (cold cranking amps)

#### BATTERY CONDITION METER

See related item under "Monitor Panel" in section 8, Appliances.

#### **AUX. START SWITCH**

See section 2, Driving Your Motor Home for information on Aux. Start Switch.

#### TRAILER WIRING CONNECTOR

Your coach is pre-wired for trailer or car towing lights with a 6-pin socket on the rear bumper. The connector plug is supplied in the coach parts package provided to you by your dealer when you took delivery of the vehicle.

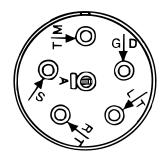
The diagram below shows proper connection of trailer or tow vehicle wiring to the coach light system. To access the wire connections inside the plug, remove the small screw near the end of the plug and slide the contact assembly out of the barrel.

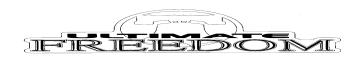
TM = Tail lights GD = Ground

LT = Left Turn

RT = Right Turn S = Brake lights

A = Backup lights





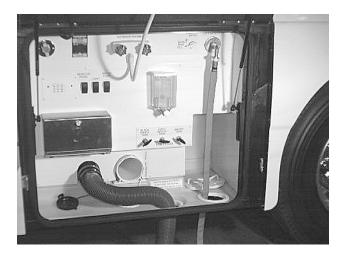
#### FRESH WATER SYSTEM



Fresh Water Tank...... 99 gal.

The fresh water system provides water to the galley sink, shower, bathroom lavatory, toilet and water heater. Water may be supplied by either of two sources:

- a water tank located within the motor home, or
- any external water source to which the motor home may be connected, known as "city water".



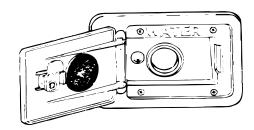
Water Center

## FRESH WATER TANK FILLING PROCEDURES:

Always fill the fresh water tank at an approved potable water filling facility or a known purified drinking water source.

You can fill your water tank using either of two methods; gravity fill or city water pressure fill.

**Gravity Fill:** Insert hose into fill opening and turn water supply on. Tank is full when water flows from overflow tube beneath coach. The gravity fill tube is located behind a small, lockable door on the right (passenger) sidewall near the center of the coach.



WATER TANK FILL

## To Pressure Fill Water Tank from City Water Connection:

- 1. Attach a hose from a city water faucet to the city water connector in the water center on the left (driver) side of your coach.
- 2. Open the Gravity Fill door to provide adequate air venting and avoid pressure buildup.
- 3. Turn the tank fill valve to the WATER TANK FILL position.



4. Tank is full when water begins to flow from the Gravity Fill tube.

NOTE: Be sure to open the gravity fill door to prevent pressure build up while filling the tank from the city water connector.



Because city water pressure varies from location to location, we recommend using an in-line water pressure regulator to prevent damage to any components, connections and seals in your fresh water system.

A water pressure regulator may be obtained from any well stocked RV dealership retail center and some retail discount centers. These devices simply connect in-line between the supply hose and the city water input on the coach.

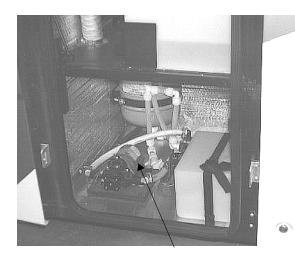
We recommend a regulator that controls water pressure to 40 psi maximum.

NOTE: Always keep the tank fill valve closed unless you are filling the tank. If this valve is open while using the city water, the water will keep flowing into the tank and out the gravity fill tube.



### WATER PUMP

Pressure for the water system is supplied by a water system demand pump which is fully automatic after initial priming. When a faucet is opened, the pump begins operation to provide a constant flow from the tank. When the faucet is closed, the pump automatically shuts off.



Water Pump

#### Water Pump Switch

Your coach is equipped with water pump switches in three convenient locations:

- on the monitor panel (see section 8)
- in the bathroom
- in the utility service compartment on the outside of the coach

While any pump switch is in the "ON" position, the pump will automatically supply water pressure as it is needed. It is recommended that the pump switch be turned off whenever you are away from the vehicle or not using the water system. A slow leak in a faucet could drain the water system and discharge the coach battery.

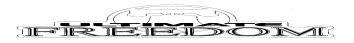
#### **Initial Start-Up**

- 1. Make sure that all water drain valves are closed, including water heater valve. (Refer to Section 10.)
- 2. Turn water pump switch to "OFF" position.
- 3. Fill water tank.
- 4. Open all faucets, hot and cold.
- 5. Turn on pump switch.
- 6. Close each faucet as it begins to deliver a steady stream of water (close cold water first). Leave hot water faucets on until they also deliver a steady stream of water. This will ensure that the water heater is filled with water.
- 7. Check to be sure pump stops soon after all faucets have been closed.
- 8. Pump is now ready for automatic operation. Pump will start when a faucet is opened and stop when the faucet is closed.

#### ACCUMULATOR TANK

A pressurized accumulator tank is installed in the water line directly upstream from the water pump located in the water pump compartment on the right side of the coach.

The accumulator tank holds a small amount of water under pressure of 20 psi to reduce water line pulsation noise and pressure variations when using the water pump system. This also contributes to longer pump life, less pump



cycling, and less amperage draw by the water pump from the coach batteries.



Accumulator Tank

NOTE: The accumulator tank has a precharge pressure which must be **checked month-ly** and maintained at **20 psi** for the system to work properly.

#### **Adjusting Precharge Pressure**

A tire-type valve stem is provided on the end or top of the accumulator tank to check or add air pressure.

When adding air, do not exceed 20 psi tank precharge pressure because you may risk rupturing the pressure bladder inside the accumulator tank.

Because of the relatively small capacity of the bladder, check pressure with a standard tire pressure gauge before adding air, then if necessary, add air in small bursts, checking pressure between each burst until 20 psi is attained.

Overfilling will also push the bladder too far and reduce the volume of water held in the accumulator tank, making the system inefficient.

The precharge valve stem cap **must be tight** to prevent pressure leak-down.

#### **Further Information**

See manufacturer's information supplied for your Owner's InfoCase for complete maintenance instructions and precautions.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISINFECTION OF FRESH WATER SYSTEMS ON RECREATION VEHICLES

## (As approved by the U.S. Public Health Service)

To assure complete disinfection of your fresh water system, it is recommended that the following procedure be followed on a new system, one that has not been used for a period of time, or one that may have become contaminated. This procedure is also recommended before long periods of storage such as over winter.

- 1. Prepare a chlorine solution using 1 gallon of water and 1/4 cup of household bleach (sodium hypochlorite solution). With tank empty, pour chlorine solution into the tank. Use 1 gallon solution for each 15 gallons of tank capacity. This procedure will result in a residual chlorine concentration of 50 ppm in the water system. If a 100 ppm concentration is required as discussed in item 3, use 1/2 cup of household bleach with 1 gallon of water to prepare the chlorine solution. One gallon of the solution should be used for each 15 gallons of tank capacity.
- 2. Complete filling of tank with fresh water. Open each faucet and run the water until a distinct odor of chlorine can be detected in the water discharged. Do not forget the hot water taps.
- 3. Allow the system to stand at least 4 hours when disinfecting with 50 ppm residual chlorine. If a shorter time period is desired, then a 100 ppm chlorine concentration should be permitted to stand in the system for at least 1 hour.
- 4. Drain and flush with fresh water.

#### WARNING

Chlorine is poisonous - recap bottle and clean utensils after use.

Never use automotive type antifreeze in your potable water system as it is poisonous.







## **EXTERNAL WATER SUPPLY** ("City Water")

#### To connect to an external source:

- 1. Turn the demand pump switch to off.
- 2. Attach a hose from the external water source to the city water connection in the water center compartment on the left side of your vehicle.
- 3. Turn water center diverter valve to CITY WATER position.



#### 4. Turn on the external water source.

When connected to an outside source of water, the water bypasses the demand pump and storage tank and supplies pressure directly to individual faucets and toilet. A check valve built into the pump prevents water from entering the pump and filling the storage tank.

#### To disconnect from the external source:

- 1. Turn the external source off.
- 2. Open a faucet inside the vehicle to relieve line pressure.
- 3. Disconnect the hose from the vehicle and replace the cap on the connection.



## WATER PURIFIER (FILTER) SYSTEM

The water purifier system uses a flowthrough activated carbon filter that removes chlorine and other impurities, resulting in clean, taste-free and odorless drinking water.



Water Filter Assembly -Below Galley Sink

#### Replacing the water filter cartridge:

Replace the filter cartridge when water flow from the purifier faucet is too slow for convenience.

- Place a container beneath the filter to catch any remaining water during removal.
- Raise the valve handle and turn the colored ring fully clockwise.
- Twist the filter cartridge counterclockwise about a quarter-turn and pull it down and out of the filter head.
- Raise the valve handle and turn the colored ring fully clockwise.
- Insert a new water filter cartridge up into the filter head as far as possible and turn it clockwise a quarter turn.
- Turn colored ring fully counterclockwise to lock the filter cartridge in position between the head and colored ring.
- Lower valve handle to lock colored ring in place.

See "Winterizing the Water Purifier System" in Section 10.



#### SHOWER HOSE VACUUM BREAKER

After using the shower, you may notice water dripping from the shower faucet assembly. The dripping results when vacuum in the shower hose (after closing the shower faucet) slowly releases and allows water remaining in the hose to drain down. This is a normal function of the shower valve assembly and is not a leak or defect.

The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials Standard TSC 21-85 (PAR. 4.3) states:

"Shower heads which incorporate shutoff valves, shall have a minimum "drip rate" of one (1) quart in thirty (30) minutes."

#### **CAUTION**

If items are placed into the shower tub before shower valve vacuum release is complete, they may become wet.

The label shown below is attached on or near the faucet to explain the operation of the vacuum breaker assembly.

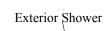
For your protection, this faucet is equipped with a vacuum breaker (back flow preventer) to prevent contamination of your potable water supply. The water in the hand held shower hose will drain through this vacuum breaker when the faucet is turned off. This is not a leak. This drainage is inherent in the design of the vacuum breaker, and is evidence that it is functioning properly.

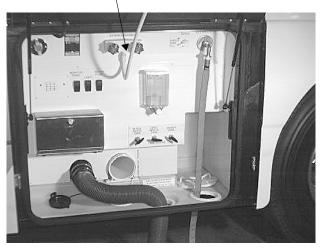
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#### **EXTERIOR SHOWER**

The exterior auxiliary shower feature allows you to do things such as rinse off sand or salt after a swim, rinse off muddy boots, or bathe your pet outside the coach.

It is located in the water center compartment. For your convenience, there is also a soap dispenser and paper towel dispenser.









## WASTE WATER SYSTEM (HOLDING TANKS)

The drainage system is self-contained and uses two separate holding tanks to contain the waste water until it can be dumped at an appropriate waste water disposal site. This means you can use the toilet, sinks and shower even in areas where utility hookups are not available.

The main holding tank contains the sewage from the toilet, and is commonly called the *black water* tank. The second holding tank contains the waste water from the galley sink, bathroom lavatory and shower, and is commonly called the *gray water* tank.

#### **DUMPING HOLDING TANKS**

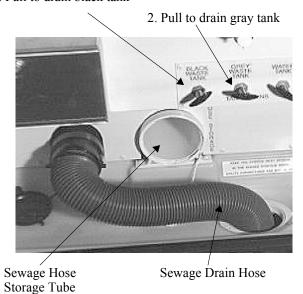
- 1. Attach the drain hose and place end of sewer hose into disposal opening.
- 2. Open the sewage (black tank) valve with a quick pull. OPEN ONE VALVE AT A TIME. Move hose gently about to dislodge any waste and to ensure complete drainage.

NOTE: Do not open the gray tank valve until the black tank is drained and dump valve



closed to avoid sewage back-up into gray tank. Gray water also rinses any black water solids from the drain hose.

#### 1. Pull to drain black tank



- 3. Close sewage valve and open waste (gray) water dump valve with a quick pull. Close valve handle as soon as tank is empty.
- 4. After both tanks have been drained, run several gallons of water into the sewage tank through the toilet. Then open sewage dump valve and drain the tank again. Close valve when done.
- 5. It is advisable to add an odor control chemical to the sewage holding tank. These chemicals are available at most R.V. stores.
- 6. Rinse end of sewer hose thoroughly with water and stow.

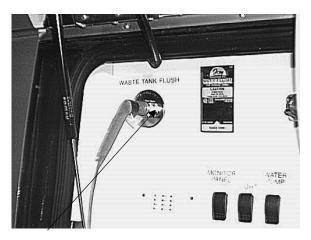
NOTE: We recommend that you dump all holding tanks before traveling to avoid carrying unnecessary weight.



## Flushing your Black Water Holding

The black water holding tank is equipped with an internal spray head that allows you to rinse the inside of the tank with a shower of clean water after dumping.

- Dump your black water holding tank in the usual manner at approved sewage disposal station.
- 2. Leave black water dump valve open while flushing tank.
- 3. Attach a garden hose from a city water hydrant to the Flushing System inlet fitting in the water system compartment. (This inlet is clearly marked separate from the City Water inlet.)

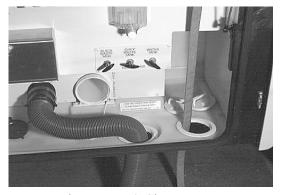


Flushing System Inlet

- 4. Turn the water on to begin flushing; allow water to run for about three minutes.
- 5. Disconnect hose from flushing system fitting and close dump valves.

#### **USING ON-SITE SEWER HOOK-UPS**

The drain hose may remain attached to the dump outlet and be routed out the bottom of the compartment while the motor home is parked and connected to an on-site sewage hook-up.



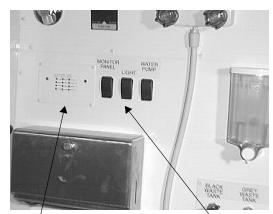
Drainage Hose & City Water Hose routed through passages in compartment

When using a sewer hook-up, keep the dump valves closed until a tank becomes full or when preparing to leave the site. This keeps the solids in suspension, allowing them to be carried out with the liquids when the dump valve is opened. If the valve is left open, the liquids will drain off, leaving solids in the tank. Should this accidentally happen, disconnect the hose, fill the tank about half full with water, and drive a few miles to dislodge the solids. A few starts and stops will aid in the process. Then reconnect the hose and drain in the normal manner

#### UTILITY LIGHT

A lamp is located up on the left sidewall to provide light in the utility hook-up area.

The switch is located inside the shoreline/sewage compartment on the left side of the coach.



Tank Monitor Panel

Panel, Light & Pump Switches

#### HOLDING TANK LEVEL INDICATORS

The holding tank levels may be viewed either on the tank monitor panel in the water center or on the main panel on the end of the galley extension cupboard.

Press the "Levels Test" switch to check the level in each tank.

See page 8-6 for further information on the monitor panel.

#### WATER DRAIN VALVES

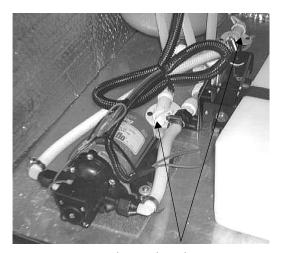
The water drain valves are used to drain water from the water tank and the water supply lines when preparing the motor home for storage or when sanitizing the water system.

#### To Drain Tanks and Water Lines:

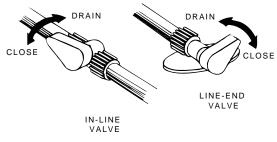
The water line drain valves are located in the water pump compartment on the passenger side toward the rear of the coach. Turn the valves. The water line drain valves are located in the water pump compartment on the passenger side toward the rear of the coach. Turn the valves as indicated in the following illustration, according to the type of valve installed.

The water tank drain valve is operated by pulling a T-handle near the holding tank valves in the water center compartment.

- Open both Hot and Cold water line valves.
- Turn water diverter valve to WATER TANK FILL position.
- Open shower line drain valve inside coach. See below.

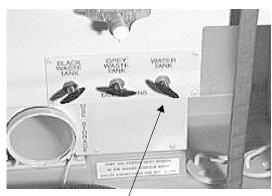


Water Line Drain Valves (in water pump compartment)



Water Drain Valves (typical)





Water Tank Drain Valve (pull to open)

Turn the valves to the right (clockwise) all the way to the stop position to open. To close valves, turn all the way to the left (counterclockwise) to the stop position.

#### **Shower Line Drain Valve:**

To properly winterize the shower, you must drain the line which runs from the shower diverter faucet to the corner spout.

A drain valve is located behind the removable face panel on the shower cabinet.



Carefully pry panel from opening



Shower Line Drain Valve (shown exposed with access panel removed)

Lift the panel and turn the valve as shown in the illustration.

Water Heater Drain Plug: The water heater drain plug is located on the outside of the coach behind the water heater service panel. Use a socket to remove the plug.

## **Anode Rod Replacement**

The drain plug is also a replaceable anode rod, which protects your water heater from corrosion.

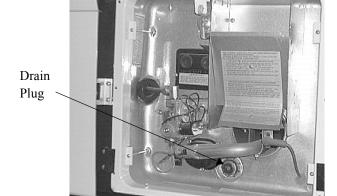
Check the anode rod at least once yearly. If the anode rod is mostly eaten away, put in a new one. Anode rod/drain plugs are available from your Winnebago Industries dealer or an authorized Suburban service and parts center.











Water Heater Service Access

(The water heater by-pass valve is located behind an access panel on the side of the refrigerator cabinet. See pg. 8-12).

TANK CAPACITIES
 Black Water Holding Tank (Toilet)
Gray Water Holding Tank (Galley, Shower & Lavatory)



# SECTION 8 APPLIANCES & INTERIOR FEATURES



(See also Safety Precautions, Section 1 of this manual.)

NOTE: Some items described in this section may be optional and, therefore, may not be in your vehicle.

The appliances installed in your motor home are manufactured by reputable RV appliance makers and have been tested by independent laboratories to meet all applicable standards and codes set for RV appliances. These appliances are covered by your New Vehicle Limited Warranty. (Certain items may be covered by individual manufacturer's warranty.) See your New Vehicle Limited Warranty for details.



### REFRIGERATOR

The refrigerator in your coach can be operated from either of two power sources available to the motor home:

- 110-Volt AC electric
- LP gas

The refrigerator is an absorption type which uses an ammonia-water solution for cooling. Basically, ammonia vapor is distilled from the solution by heat, produced from either LP gas or electricity and then carried to the finned condenser where it liquefies. The liquid then flows to an evaporator where it creates cold temperatures through evaporation.

#### Leveling

Before operating the refrigerator when the motor home is stationary, place a small level on the freezer plate and make certain the unit is level.

Normal vehicle leveling to provide comfort for the occupants is satisfactory for refrigerator operation. This will be well within the operation limits of 3° off-level side-to-side and 6° off-level front-to-back.

#### **CAUTION**

To prevent permanent damage to the refrigerator cooling unit, turn the refrigerator off if the vehicle will be parked on an incline of **over 3° side-to-side or 6° front-to-rear** (such as steep driveways or parking lots, etc.) for more than one hour.

#### **WARNING**

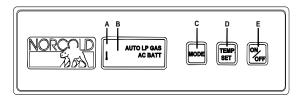
Most LP gas appliances used in recreational vehicles are vented to the outside of the vehicle. When parked close to a gasoline pump, it is possible that the gasoline fumes could enter this type of appliance and ignite from the burner flame, CAUSING A FIRE OR AN EXPLOSION.

FOR YOUR SAFETY, it is recommended that all LP gas appliances which are vented to the outside should be shut off when refueling.

#### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

## Norcold 1200-Series Models with Electronic Auto Mode Control

The control panel is located between the freezer compartment and fresh food compartment. It contains pressure sensitive touch switches and an LCD display (B). A backlight illuminates the display for 10 seconds whenever any of the control buttons is pressed.





The ON/OFF button (E) turns the refrigerator on or off. If the button is pressed, it will turn the refrigerator on and set the mode to auto. When the refrigerator is on, pressing this button for 2 seconds will turn the refrigerator off.

Pressing and holding the MODE button (C) allows the user to cycle through the three mode choices; one AUTO and two manual modes (AC, LP GAS). The refrigerator will not switch to the new operating mode until the mode button is released.

The TEMP SET (thermostat) button (D) controls the refrigerator and freezer temperature during both gas and electric operation, eliminating the need to reset each time a different power source is selected. Press and hold the TEMP SET button to select the desired temperature setting. The temperature settings are shown in the form of a thermometer (A) in the display window, with the shortest thermometer reading indicating the coldest setting.

#### **Start-Up Instructions - Auto Mode**

When the AUTO mode is selected, the operating control automatically selects the power source using the following priority scheme:

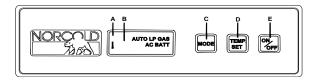
- When 120 volts AC is available to the refrigerator, AUTO AC will be visible in the display panel, indicating the refrigerator is operating on AC electric.
- If 120 volts AC is not available, the refrigerator will switch to the gas operation, and AUTO LP GAS will be visible in the display panel.

During operation in the AUTO mode, when a higher priority power source becomes available, the operating controls will cease using the current power source and will switch to the higher priority power source. For example, if AC electric becomes available while the refrigerator is operating in the AUTO LP GAS mode, the refrigerator will switch to AUTO AC operation.

If an operating mode is not functional, a diagnostic code will appear and the refrigerator will attempt to operate in a lower power priority source. If a lower power priority source is not

available, an alarm will sound and the refrigerator will cease operation. Refer to the *Diagnostic Codes and Their Meaning* for corrective actions.

#### **Start-Up Instructions - Manual Mode**



To operate in the MANUAL mode, press and hold the MODE button (C) until AUTO disappears and the desired operating mode is displayed. If the power source is interrupted while operating in the MANUAL mode, a diagnostic code will appear, an alarm will sound, and the refrigerator will cease operation. For corrective actions, refer to the *Diagnostic Codes and Their Meaning* on page 10 of the Norcold Operator's Guide in the blue binder.

## **AUTO and MANUAL Modes - Gas Operation Only**

If the gas does not ignite within 30 seconds, which may occur on initial start-up, the refrigerator's gas valve will automatically close and the operating controls will select an alternate power source (AUTO Mode) or MANUAL mode, will revert to a stand-by mode in which an alarm will sound and code A1 will be displayed in the center window. The alarm and code will remain on until the operating controls are turned OFF and then ON again. If the gas does not ignite after several attempts, check the input gas supply, or consult with your dealer or a Norcold authorized service center. A different mode of operation may be selected by pressing and holding the MODE button. The refrigerator will not switch to the new operating mode until the MODE button is released

#### **Backup Operating System (BOS)**

Your refrigerator features a Backup Operating System which keeps the refrigerator cool in the event of a failure of the refrigerator's operating controls. If a failure occurs, the refrigerator



will display Diagnostic Code C5 and will switch automatically to the BOS mode. This mode provides refrigeration until the refrigerator is serviced. The fresh food and freezer compartment temperatures should be monitored to prevent over-freezing or thawing of refrigerator contents when operating in the BOS mode. If the refrigerator temperature is too cold, adjust the thermostat up (warmer) in one bar increments. If the refrigerator temperature is too warm, adjust the thermostat down (colder) in one bar increments. Let the refrigerator operate at the new setting for one hour before rechecking the freezer and fresh food compartment temperatures. (Frequent door opening prevents the temperatures from stabilizing.) Although the refrigerator can operate in this mode, Norcold recommends that you seek service to restore normal operation as soon as practical.

#### **Humidity - Storage Switch**

Turning this switch to HIGH HUMIDITY will keep the surface between the door openings dry during high humidity conditions. The switch should be left in the NORMAL OPERATION position unless moisture collects around the door.

When storing your RV for the winter, place this switch in the STORAGE (LIGHT OFF) position. This shuts off all DC power to the light and humidity heater and allows the refrigerator door to be left open for airing without draining the battery.

### **Operating Tips**

- The refrigerator should already be cold before placing items in it.
- Food and beverages should also be cold before placing in RV refrigerator. Never put warm or hot items in a cold refrigerator.
- Do not pack the refrigerator too full. The refrigerator needs room for cold air to circulate.
- Use smaller containers for each item. (e.g. a half gallon container of milk instead of a halffull gallon jug)
- Always put foods, especially liquids, in tightly sealed containers.
- Use crumpled paper between loose items to reduce rattling or "clinking" noises.

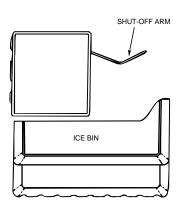
#### **ICE MAKER - Norcold**

Some Norcold refrigerators are optionally equipped with an automatic ice maker system. The ice maker unit is installed in the freezer compartment of the refrigerator.

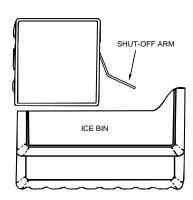
The ice maker does not freeze the ice. The refrigerator freezer compartment does the actual freezing of the water. The ice maker simply senses when the ice is ready, ejects it into the ice bin, and refills the molds with water for another ice cycle. When the ice bin is full, the amount of ice will raise an automatic shutoff arm which stops the ice maker. Some problems involving lack of ice production - particularly a lack of freezing - may be the fault of the refrigerator rather than the ice maker.

### **Operating the Ice Maker**

- Connect the coach shoreline to a 110VAC source and switch the refrigerator to AUTO (AC electric) mode. The ice maker motor runs on 110-volt current only.
- 2. Connect the coach to an external (city water) source or leave water pump switch on continuously to provide a constant water supply.
- 3. Be sure the ice bin is in place and the ice maker's automatic shut-off arm (wire) is in the down (automatic) position. If the arm is up, the ice maker will not operate.







- 4. Start the refrigerator the day before ice cubes are needed. When the refrigerator is started (from room temperature), it is normal to take as long as 24 hours to become cold enough to make the first batch of ice cubes.
- 5. Always discard the first batch of cubes made in a new ice maker. The new plumbing lines and connections may cause discolored and bad tasting ice. The ice maker will make up to 3 lbs. of ice in 24 hours, if the freezer temperature is 14 F or below.
- 6. To remove the ice bin, raise the automatic shut-off arm (off). When returning the ice bin to the freezer, remember to lower the shut-off arm (on). If the arm is up, the ice maker will not operate.

#### **Shut-Down of Ice Maker**

To turn the ice maker off, simply raise the shutoff arm.

### Winterizing the Ice Maker

When winterizing, make sure the water line is completely drained by following this procedure.

- 1. Drain coach water lines. See Sect. 10.
- 2. Open drain valve at the rear of the refrigerator (on outside of coach).
- 3. Let the ice maker run through a cycle, then move the shut-off position.
- 4. Drain water again at the refrigerator drain

## **Start-Up (Removing from Storage)**

- 1. Close all drain valves.
- 2. Turn the water supply on.

- 3. Be sure the ice bin is in place and the automatic shutoff arm is down.
- 4. Let the refrigerator cool down to ice making temperature. Remember, this can take up to 24 hours.
- 5. Let the ice maker cycle and dump the first batch of ice.

#### **Troubleshooting the Ice Maker**

### 1. Is 110-Volt AC reaching the refrigerator?

- A. Ice maker motor needs 110VAC to operate
- B. Be sure refrigerator power cord is plugged in.
- C. Check appropriate breaker on 110VAC breaker panel.

## 2. Is 12-Volt DC reaching the refrigerator?

- A. Refrigerator eyebrow control and power supply board both need 12VDC to operate.
- B. Check 12V fuse or breaker on converter panel

## 3. Is water supply pressure at least 15 psi, but no more than 125 psi?

- A. If not enough, turn city water faucet open further or check for blockage.
- B. If too much, attach water pressure regulator

## 4. Is the water supply inlet valve on?

- A. If not enough, turn city water faucet open further or check for blockage.
- B. If too much, attach water pressure regulator

## 5. Is the freezer compartment temperature 14° F or lower?

A. Turn refrigerator temperature control to colder setting, if needed.

## 6. Is the ice maker's automatic shut-off arm in the down (on) position?

A. If arm is not down, ice maker will not operate.

## 7. Has it been at least 24 hours since the refrigerator was turned on?

- A. If not, allow more time.
- B. If so, refer to Norcold refrigerator freezer troubleshooting procedures in your dealer service library.



#### 8. Water not filling molds:

- A. Water inlet valve off (on back side of refrigerator).
- B. Insufficient water pressure.
- C. Water line blockage.
- D. Faulty water solenoid stuck off.

### 9. Water over-filling molds:

- A. Excessive water pressure.
- B. Faulty water solution stuck on.

#### 10. Water not freezing:

A. Refrigerator problem.

### 11. Ice not ejecting:

- A. 110VAC power not connected.
- B. Mold heater not working replace ice
- C. Ejector motor not working replace ice maker.

#### 12. Ice bin overfilling:

- A. Shutoff switch broken.
- B. Shutoff wire stuck.

#### 13. Low ice production:

A. Water not freezing fast enough - refrigerator problem.

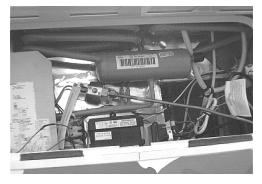
### 14. Freezer needs defrosting often:

- A. Ice maker motor and mold heater add heat to compartment, which developes frost. This is normal.
- B. Check door gasket for proper sealing.

## REFRIGERATOR SERVICE ACCESS COMPARTMENT

#### (Exterior)

The exterior refrigerator service compartment allows access to the rear of the refrigerator for inspection, maintenance and service.



Refrigerator Access Compartment



#### LP GAS COOKTOP

The cooktop in your motor home operates on LP gas and will provide the same functions that the range in your home does. One benefit of gas burners is that heat is available as soon as a burner is lit, as opposed to an electric element slowly heating up.

The following warning label has been located in the cooking area to remind you to provide an adequate supply of fresh air for combustion.



Unlike large homes, the oxygen supply inside a recreational vehicle is limited due to its size. To avoid danger of asphyxiation, provide proper ventilation when using the gas cooktop. It is especially important not to use the gas cooktop for comfort heating. Danger of asphyxiation is greater when these appliances are used for long periods of time.



#### WARNING

Portable fuel-burning equipment including wood and charcoal grills and stoves, should not be used inside the recreational vehicle. The use of this equipment inside the recreational vehicle may cause fires or asphyxiation.

## **Lighting Cooktop Burners (w/Pilotless Ignition)**

- 1. Be sure LP gas tank main supply valve is open.
- 2. Press and turn desired burner knob to HI. You will hear a "snapping" noise as the automatic spark ignition lights the burner.
- 3. When the burner ignites, turn the knob to the desired flame height setting.



#### **Further Information**

See the Cooktop *Use and Care Guide* in your Owner InfoCase for more precautions, operating and care instructions.

## MICROWAVE/CONVECTION OVEN

For complete operating instructions, refer to the manufacturer's information provided with the oven.

#### **RANGE HOOD**

The range hood vent is built into the underside of the microwave oven. The range hood fan

draws cooking odors and gas fumes through a filtering system and recirculates the air. A light on the underside of the hood provides illumination for food preparation. The hood fan and light switches are located on the microwave control panel.

### To Clean Grease Filter or Replace Light Bulb

See the manufacturer's information in your Owner InfoCase for instructions on replacement of light bulbs and grease filter elements.

#### **MONITOR PANEL**

The monitor panel is built into the end of the upper galley cupboard cabinet. (See photo.) The panel provides central location of switches for the water pump and tank level indicator lights.

The auxiliary electric generator start/stop switch and hourmeter are also located on the range hood panel. See Section 6 for generator starting and stopping instructions and operating precautions.



**Monitor Panel** 

#### **Generator Start/Stop Switch**

See Section 6, Electrical Systems for generator start-up and shut-down instructions.

#### **Generator Hourmeter**

See Section 6, Electrical Systems for generator hourmeter information.





### Water and Holding Tank Levels

Press and hold the "Levels Test" switch to show approximate level on the monitor lights.

The approximate water levels are measured by sets of electronic probes in the sides of the tanks, so the water must be touching a probe to register at that level. There is generally more water in a tank than indicated on the monitor panel.

For example, a water level of 1-2" below the FULL probe, the monitor will show the level to be only 2/3 even though the tank is nearly full. If the water level is below the 1/3 probe, the monitor will register an empty tank because the water is no longer touching the 1/3 probe. There may actually be some water left in the tank. However, when the indicator reads FULL, the tank is actually full.

#### **Tank Capacities**

See back of "To The Owner" page inside front cover of this manual.

#### LP Gas Level

Press and hold the "Levels Test" switch to show approximate LP tank level.

The LP level is registered by a sending unit on the tank. The gauge mounted on the side of the tank will give a more accurate indication of actual tank level if needed.

### Water Pump Switch

When you want to use the self-contained water system, turn on the "Water Pump" switch on the monitor panel. The "Pump On" light will illuminate when the pump switch is turned on. Water will be available as soon as a faucet is opened.

For your convenience, additional switches are located in the bathroom and in the exterior shower compartment.

#### **Battery Condition Meter**

Push the "Levels Test" button to check the level of charge (voltage) in the 12-volt coach battery. The indicator segments will light from the bottom up to the amount of charge the battery contains.

To get an accurate reading;

- 1. Both the chassis engine and the auxiliary generator engine must be shut off.
- 2. An interior light should be turned on to provide a small load which draws off the battery surface charge.

### **DISHWASHER (Optional)**

For complete operating instructions, see the manufacturer's information provided in your Owner's InfoCase.



## **WASHER-DRYER (Optional)**

For complete operating instructions, see the manufacturer's information provided in your Owner's InfoCase.

The washing machine water supply faucets are located in an access shelf inside the cabinet above the washer/dryer. Always turn supply faucets off when not using washing machine to avoid possible water leaks if a hose or hose gasket should fail.







### Water Heater Capacity: 10 gal.

The 10 gallon water heater has a dual power feature. It can operate from LP gas or 110-volt house current; or it can use both at the same time for quicker recovery at times when you are using a lot of hot water.

Read the Suburban Direct Vent Gas Water Heater Installation and Operation Manual for complete Safety Warnings, Operating Instructions and Maintenance Information before operating the water heater.

Be sure the water heater is filled with water before starting either electric or LP operation. To fill the water heater, turn the Water Pump switch on and open a hot water faucet anywhere in the coach. When water begins to flow steadily from the faucet, the water heater is full.

For Electric Operation: Turn on the Water Heater electric element switch, which is located on the wall near the monitor panel. The shoreline must be connected for electric operation.

For LP Gas Operation: Press the Water Heater switch on the Monitor Panel. The "Pilot Out" light will glow for about 10-15 seconds, then it will go out. If the "Pilot Out" light comes on during LP operation, it means that the burner has gone into "lockout" mode and must be restarted. If this happens, turn the Water Heater switch off for about 5 minutes, then turn it back on. See the Suburban user's guide in your Owner's InfoCase for further information.

## For Quick Recovery Operation (Dual): rn On both Water Heater switches: the gas o

Turn On both Water Heater switches; the gas one on the monitor panel and the electric one on the wall beside it. This will help reheat the water heater tank more quickly than a single source would alone. Use this mode when you are using a larger than normal volume of hot water, for example, when someone is taking a shower and the dishwasher or clothes washer is also being used. Be sure to turn Off either the gas switch or electric switch (your choice) when quick recovery demand has passed to avoid unwanted use of LP or electricity.

#### **Gas Safety Information**

- A. This appliance does not have a pilot light. It is equipped with an ignition device that automatically lights the burner. Do Not try to light the burner by hand.
- B. Before lighting, smell around the appliance area for gas. Be sure to smell near floor because LP gas is heavier than air and will settle on the floor.

### WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS

- Do not try to light any appliance.
- Do not touch any electrical switch.
- Get out of the coach immediately and turn off the LP gas tank at the main tank valve. (See photo on page 5-2.)
- Use a neighbor's phone to call your Winnebago Industries dealer or a local gas supplier for instructions. Do not use a phone in your coach. Follow the dealer's or gas supplier's instructions.
- If you cannot reach a Winnebago Industries dealer or a local gas supplier, call the fire department.



Have the source of the leak corrected before using the LP gas system again.

**Operating Instructions** 

- 1. STOP! Read the safety information provided in the Suburban Water Heater Operation Manual in your Owners InfoCase.
- 2. Turn off water heater power switches.
- 3. Turn LP gas supply off.
- 4. Wait five minutes for any gas to clear the area. If you smell gas, then stop and follow item B of the Safety Information above. If you don't smell gas, go to the next step.
- 5. Turn on LP gas main tank valve.
- 6. Turn on the water heater switch on the monitor panel. You may hear a clicking noise as the ignition element begins working. If the burner does not light on first try, the system will stop trying to light burner and go to lockout mode.
- 7. If lockout happens before main burner lights, turn switch OFF, wait five seconds and turn switch back on. This will restart the ignition cycle. The first start-up of the water heater after it has not been used for a long time may require several igntion cycles before all the air is purged from the gas lines and gas begins to flow.

If the burner will not come on, check the following items before calling for service.

- 1. Is the switch turned on?
- 2. Dos the LP tank have gas in it or is main tank valve turned on?
- 3. Is the ECO Reset button tripped? (See Suburban Water Heater Operation Manual in your Owners InfoCase.)

#### To Turn Water Heater Off

- 1. Turn switch on monitor panel to Off position.
- 2. Turn electric water heater switch off.
- 3. Turn off LP gas supply (if not to be used for extended period).
- 4. Drain water heater tank if the coach is to be stored or water heater will be Off during freezing temperatures. (See Draining and Storage Instructions in Suburban Water

Heater Operation Manual in your Owners InfoCase.

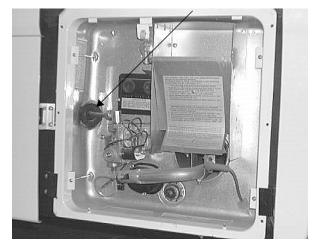
#### **Pressure-Temperature (P-T) Relief Valve**

On occasion, water may be seen seeping from the water heater pressure-temperature relief valve. This is no cause for repair or replacement of the valve.



Water Heater Service Access Panel

P-T Valve (Lift Straight Out Slowly -Let Snap Back)



Water Heater - Exterior Service View

The water heater tank is designed so that there is normally an air pocket at the top of the tank that acts as a pressure buffer. In time, however, heated water may expand and fill this air pocket,

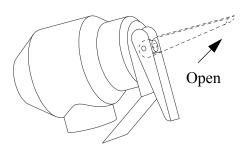


causing a slight increase in water pressure. This may cause the P-T valve to "weep" until the air pocket is manually replaced.

OPERATE THIS VALVE ONLY WHEN THE WATER HEATER AND COOLING SYS-TEM ARE COLD!

#### To Replace the Air Pocket:

- 1. Turn off the water heater switch and incoming water supply (city water and/or demand pump).
- 2. Open a faucet in the motor home to relieve water pressure.
- 3. Pull the handle of the P-T valve straight out and allow water to flow until it stops.



P-T Valve

- 4. Let the handle of the P-T valve snap shut.
- 5. Close the faucet and turn on the water supply before switching the water heater on.

Manually operate the pressure temperature relief valve at least once a year.

## **Anode Rod Replacement**

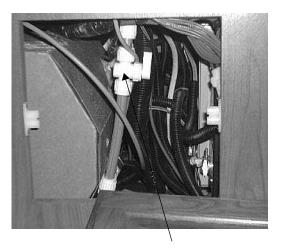
The drain plug is also a replaceable anode rod, which protects your water heater from corrosion. It serves as a "decoy" for harmful elements that could deteriorate the tank.

Check the anode rod at least once yearly. If the anode rod is mostly eaten away, put in a new one. Hard water with high levels of iron and/or sulfate will eat away the anode rod more quickly, so more frequent inspections may be needed. Anode rod/drain plugs are available from your Winnebago Industries dealer or an authorized Suburban service and parts center.

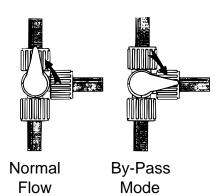
Do not operate the water heater without the anode rod protection. Do not replace the anode rod drain plug with a drain plug that does not contain an anode rod.

#### WATER HEATER BY-PASS VALVE

Your coach is equipped with a water heater by-pass valve for easier winterization of water lines using RV antifreeze. The valve is located behind the access panel on the side of the refrigerator cabinet toward the front of the coach.



Water Heater By-Pass Valve



**CAUTION** 

Leave by-pass valve handle in NOR-MAL FLOW position if draining water and blowing out water lines. Place in BYPASS position ONLY when using antifreeze solution in water lines.

NOTE: Your coach is not equipped with this valve if you have the optional automatic winterization system.





## LP GAS FURNACE (SUBURBAN)

### To Start Up:

- 1. Close the LP gas tank valve.
- 2. Turn thermostat/system switch on. (Refer to Electronic Thermostat instructions.)
- 3. Set thermostat above room temperature to begin blower operation. A slight delay will occur before the blower comes on. Allow blower to run for 5 minutes for combustion chamber purge cycle.
- 4. After 5 minutes, set thermostat lever below room temperature. Blower will remain on. Wait approximately 2 minutes for blower to go off.
- 5. Open LP gas tank valve.
- 6. Set thermostat to desired temperature. If set above room temperature, blower will come on.
- 7. Allow 30 seconds for main burner to light after blower comes on. This furnace is equipped with an ignition device which automatically lights the burner. Do not try to light the burner by hand.
- 8. If burner does not light, repeat Steps 1 through 5. (If heat does not come out of the heat duct after a minute or so, the burner is not lit.)
- 9. If after three (3) attempts with no ignition, go to shut-down and contact your dealer or a local recreational vehicle service center. Do not continue to cycle furnace through thermostat in an attempt to get ignition.

NOTE: For normal operation after initial startup, be sure the thermostat switch is in HEAT position, then place the temperature selector to the desired temperature. The furnace will start and cycle on and off automatically.

#### To Shut Down:

- 1. Slide thermostat/system switch OFF.
- 2 Close LP tank valve

#### For Further Information

Please see the Suburban furnace operating instructions provided in your Owner's InfoCase for further information, including operating precautions, and periodic maintenance.

#### **ELECTRONIC THERMOSTAT**

#### (Central Heat/Air Conditioning System Only)

The thermostat, located in the galley area, controls heating, air conditioning and cooling fan features.



NOTE: The thermostat does not automatically switch between heating and cooling. You must place the switch in the desired position.

#### **Heating:**

• Slide the system switch up to "Heat" position.

NOTE: Follow proper furnace lighting procedures described previously in this section.





 Adjust the temperature setpoint to personal preference if needed. See "Changing Temperature Setpoints."

#### Cooling (A/C):

- Slide the system switch up to Cool position.
- Slide the Cooling Fan Switch to the desired position.

**On/Low:** A/C compressor cycles on and off with the thermostat while fan runs continuously at low speed.

**On/High:** A/C compressor cycles on and off with the thermostat while fan runs continuously at high speed.

**Auto/Low:** Fan runs at low speed and cycles on and off with the A/C compressor as controlled by the thermostat.

**Auto/High:** Fan runs at high speed and cycles on and off with the A/C compressor as controlled by the thermostat.

 Adjust the temperature setpoint to personal preference if needed. See "Changing Temperature Setpoints".

#### Fan:

Slide the system switch down to "Fan" position. The fan will run continuously at high speed and is not controlled by thermostat setting. The display will show current room temperature.

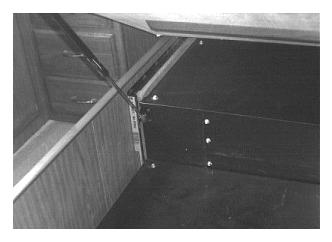
#### CENTRAL AIR CONDITIONER

NOTE: See "Electronic Thermostat" for instructions on turning the air conditioner on and changing the thermostat settings.

The central air conditioner is mounted in an exterior compartment on the left (driver) side of the coach. (See page 0-4.) The compartment door opens for easy maintenance and periodic service. (See "Condenser Coils") The cooled air is forced through ducts in the ceiling of the coach. Inside air returns to the air conditioner through a filter system beneath the rear bed. (See "Air Conditioner Filters".)

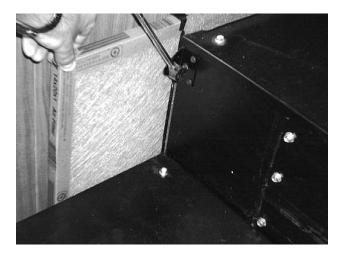
#### **Air Conditioner Filter**

The disposable furnace type filter is located in a slide-in bracket inside the passenger side of the rear bed cabinet. The filter must be inspected and replaced periodically so the air conditioner will operate efficiently.



### *To Replace the A/C Filter:*

- Lift the foot of the rear bed mattress board, which is hinged near the head of the mattress. It is supported by gas props while open.
- Slide the filter out of the bracket assembly at the passenger side of the cabinet.
- Slide the new filter into the bracket, being careful to observe airflow markings on the edge of the filter.



**A/C Filter Size:** 14" x 20" x 1"

NOTE: Do not block the filter in any way, such as by setting packages or newspapers, etc., on top of it. There must be free air

flow for the air conditioner to operate efficiently.

#### **Condenser Coils**

The condenser is located in a compartment on the left side of the coach. The condenser is the large, silver, rectangular area that looks like a car radiator.

Periodically sweep debris carefully from the fins of the condenser. Rinse dust off with clean water. The condenser coils must be clean and free of dust, debris and insect particles, etc., for the air conditioner to cool efficiently.

#### **Further Information**

See the air conditioner manufacturer's operating instructions supplied in your Owner's Info-Case. They contain detailed operating instructions, special precautions and basic troubleshooting.



## TV ANTENNA

The TV antenna on your motor home can be easily raised, rotated a full 360° and lowered from inside the vehicle by simply turning a crank or rotating knob. A built-in signal amplifier designed to strengthen signals, is controlled by a power switch built into the TV jack assembly.

The signal amplifier is housed inside the antenna with the circuit board connected directly to the antenna elements. Power to operate the amplifier (12-volt DC) is supplied through the downlead cable which also carries the TV signals to the TV set. The power supply separates the 12-volt DC from the TV signals and provides a place for attaching the TV set and the 12-volt power source.

#### **Operation**

Raising Antenna - Turn elevating crank clockwise in "UP" direction about 13 turns or until some resistance to turning is noted. Antenna is now in operating position. Turn amplifier power switch "ON" to receive TV signal.



#### WARNING

Never allow the antenna to touch electrical power lines or any other electrical wires.

**Rotating Antenna** - Make sure antenna is in the "UP" position. Pull down on rotating knob until it disengages ceiling plate and rotate for best picture and sound on TV set.



**Lowering Antenna to Travel Position -** Rotate antenna until pointer on rotating knob aligns with pointer on ceiling plate.



#### **CAUTION**

Never leave the antenna partially raised or partially lowered. This can damage the crank mechanism gears. Always raise the antenna straight up or lower it completely into the travel position.

Turn elevating crank (counterclockwise) in "DOWN" direction until resistance is noted. Antenna is now locked in travel position. Turn amplifier power switch "OFF".

Count the number of turns needed to crank the antenna down to the roof of the unit (normally



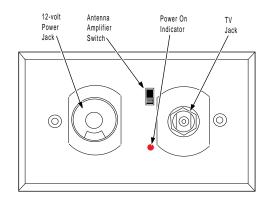
about 13). Mark the final position of the crank handle on the ceiling or the directional knob for reference. Also mark the number of turns needed. Use the mark and number as a reference whenever you lower the antenna.

#### **CAUTION**

Always align directional handle to "DOWN" position before lowering.

#### ANTENNA SIGNAL AMPLIFIER

To operate amplifier, turn on power switch.



The TV jack plates are mounted in various locations throughout the coach. Some of these wall plates are not readily visible and may be in one of the following locations.

- In front overhead cabinet.
- In the optional entertainment center on the outside of the coach.
- Behind the optional rear bedroom TV.

### **Checking Amplifier Performance**

The TV signals available to an RV are entirely dependent on its location in relation to the transmitter. Signals may vary from strong to no usable signal at all. We recommend that the TV system be checked out in an area known to have good TV reception.

To check the antenna amplifier, raise the antenna, select a TV channel and rotate the antenna for best picture. Then turn off the amplifier power switch. If the antenna amplifier is working properly, the TV picture will now be degraded

(snowy). When you turn the switch back on, the picture should again be sharp.



### DIGITAL SATELLITE TELEVISION SYSTEM -Optional

The Digital Satellite Television System allows you to receive TV programs directly from satellite to your coach. The programs are transmitted in digital format so the quality is equal to laser disc or CD.

See your **Winegard RV Digital Satellite Antenna System Owner's Manual** for instructions about aiming the satellite antenna dish.

The coach must be level before attempting to aim the antenna dish.

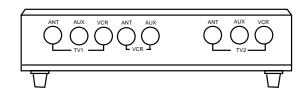
We recommend that you **read** the satellite dish manual **thoroughly** to understand the system completely before attempting any setups or adjustments.



## VIDEO CONTROL PANEL

The video control panel allows you to switch the antenna, cable TV, satellite TV system or VCR signal to any TV set location in the coach.

This means one person can watch a ball game coming in on the roof antenna on the bedroom TV while another person watches a satellite or cable TV program or a video tape on the VCR on the front TV. Also, two people can watch different programs on the two TV's while taping a third program on the VCR.



#### Components

TV1 = Front TV

TV2 = Bedroom TV

VCR = Videocassette Recorder

#### **Signal Inputs:**

- ANT Press to connect selected TV or VCR to the roof antenna.
- AUX Press to connect selected TV or VCR to cable TV input or Satellite TV system.
- VCR Press to connect selected TV to the video-cassette recorder/player.

## EXTERIOR ENTERTAINMENT CENTER

The exterior entertainment center contains a stereo radio/cassette player and convenient TV hook-ups for your outside listening or viewing pleasure.



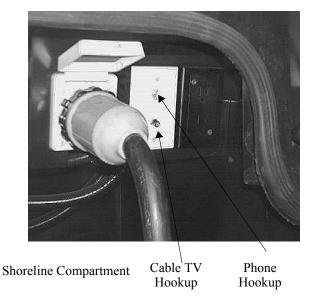




# CABLE TV AND PHONE HOOK-UPS (Input)

The cable television and telephone input connectors are located in the shoreline compartment.

The cable and phone lines can be routed through the hatch in the bottom of the compartment so the door can remain shut while connected.



#### **Phone Jack Locations**

There are two phone jacks in your coach for you to plug phones into; one in the front and one in the rear:

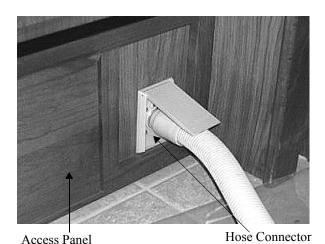
**Front:** In living room area, on wall beneath pull-out lounge table.

**Rear:** In bedroom, on left (driver side) corner cabinet, near bedroom radio.



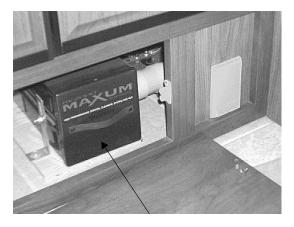
The central vacuum cleaner system is located beneath the refrigerator cabinet.

**To Use The Vacuum:** Plug the hose into the hose outlet. The vacuum cleaner will start automatically. When you remove the hose, the vacuum will stop.



Central Vacuum Cleaner System

**To Change Filter Bags:** Remove the lower face panel from the refrigerator cabinet and pull the cover from the square metal canister.



Pull cover off to change bags

If The Vacuum Will Not Start: Check for a tripped circuit breaker. Also be sure that the vacuum unit is plugged into the electrical outlet.

#### AUDIOVOX BEDROOM RADIO

The bedroom is equipped with a built-in stereo radio system in the left rear nightstand cabinet. This radio features AM/FM stereo radio with electronic seek/scan turning, auto reverse cassette player/recorder with music search, and a full featured alarm clock mode.



See the Audiovox operator guide on your Owner InfoCase for full operating instructions by the manufacturer.

(See also Safety Precautions, Section 1 of this manual.)

#### SLEEPING FACILITIES

#### WARNING

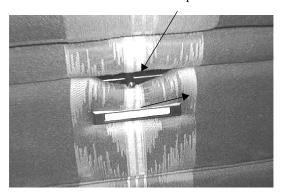
Do not use sleeping facilities while vehicle is moving.

#### **COUCH-BED CONVERSION**

#### To Convert Sofa to Bed:

 Push the sofa latch to the right while pulling the front edge of the sofa seat upward and outward from the wall and pushing downward on the backrest until the cushions lie flat. The bed is now ready for use.

Push latch to the right. Lift seat upward.







#### To Revert Back to Sofa:

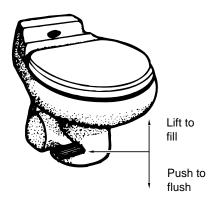
- Push the front edge of the sofa seat toward the wall while lifting upward on the backrest until the sofa is fully seated against the wall.
- Reposition ottoman and fasten onto sofa.
- Push front edge of sofa seat down to be sure latch engages.



### FRESH WATER TOILET

The fresh water toilet in your motor home is very similar to the household type, except that it is designed to use only a small amount of water per flush. It uses a high velocity jet of water, producing a swirl effect, to efficiently cleanse the bowl. And since each flush uses fresh water, no special chemicals are required other than a deodorizing agent, if necessary.

1. To add water to the toilet before using, lift the flush lever until the desired water level is reached. Generally, more water is required only when flushing solids.



- 2. To flush the toilet, push the lever all the way down until sewage leaves the toilet and bowl is rinsed clean.
- 3. Release the flush lever. A small amount of water should remain in the bowl.

Please refer to the manufacturer's information supplied with the toilet for further operating and maintenance instructions.

#### Important "Don'ts"

- Don't use facial tissue or regular toilet tissue in the RV toilet. These will not disintegrate sufficiently and will often cling to the sides of the holding tank. Toilet tissue made specifically for use in RV toilets and holding tanks is available at most RV supply centers.
- Don't dispose of sanitary napkins or other non-dissolving items in the toilet.
- Don't put automotive antifreeze or caustic chemicals, such as laundry bleach or heavy detergents into the toilet or holding tank. These products may damage plastic or rubber parts in the system.

#### **Cleaning the Toilet**

The toilet should be cleaned regularly for maximum sanitation and operating efficiency. If an odor is apparent from the toilet:

- 1. Clean the toilet bowl with a mild bathroom cleaner. Do not allow cleaners to set in the bowl for long periods of time to avoid damaging the seals. Do not use caustic or abrasive cleaners in the Thetford toilet since it may damage the plastic surfaces.
- 2. Dump and rinse holding tank.
- 3. Add odor control chemical in amount specified after cleaning and every few days during use.
- 4. Remove the water line from the base of the toilet and clean the screen.
- 5. If the flush valve becomes stiff after extended use, it may be lubricated with a silicone spray. Turn the water pump off and operate flush pedal to drain water from the toilet bowl. Spray silicone lubricant onto flush valve inside bowl and operate flush pedal a few times to ensure free operation.

See instructions in Section 10 to prepare the toilet for storage in freezing conditions.

#### **POWER ROOF VENT - Bath Area**

The power vent in the bathroom ceiling is controlled by switches on the bathroom wall. The VENT switch raises (open) or lowers



(close) the powered dome. The FAN switch controls the single speed exhaust fan.

#### **POWER ROOF VENT - Galley Area or Bath**

The power roof vent in the galley and bath ceilings has a 3-speed turbine fan and a power dome. The vent is controlled by a thermostat on the galley wall, which will automatically raise the dome and turn the fan on when the temperature reaches the setting you have chosen. When the air around the thermostat has cooled to below the setting, the dome will automatically lower and the fan will shut off.

The thermostat control can be placed in the OFF position to cancel power to the power dome and vent fan.

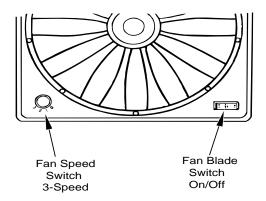
Power Ventilator Thermostat - Galley





Power Ventilator Thermostat - Bath

The fan shroud on the ceiling has a fan power switch that lets you turn the fan off if you want just the vent dome raised with no fan running. The fan speed switch allows you to adjust the amount of circulation you need at any time.



#### **SLIDER WINDOWS**

Swing the latch handle straight out from the window. Grasp the sliding window edge frame and slide the window to the side. Be sure the latch is open before trying to slide the window closed.

Vertical slider windows have spring-loaded catches on both sides of the window that pop out to hold the window in its fully raised position. Press the catches outward toward the frames while lowering the window.



#### **CAUTION**

Sealants must be inspected every 6 months and resealed if necessary.

#### **ROOF**

The roof is made of Thermo-Panel materials like the walls and floor. It will support the weight of an average adult should it become necessary to repair the roof or roof mounted components. It is not recommended, however, that very large or heavy objects be carried on the roof while the vehicle is in motion. (See page 4-2 for roof loading specifications.) Always have damage to the roof area repaired immediately. Damaged or detached sealant around the vents, air conditioner, body-to-roof seams, etc., should also receive immediate attention. Delaying these repairs may allow water leakage and result in damage to interior ceiling and body panels, upholstery, etc.

#### **UNDERBODY**

Buildup of mud and dirt under the body can cause damaging rust on steel parts and can add needless weight to the vehicle. This, in effect, reduces the amount of cargo you can carry and remain with GVWR and GAWR limits.

Corrosive materials, such as those used for ice and snow removal and dust control, also accumulate on the underside of a vehicle. These materials should be removed by flushing the underbody regularly with water, especially areas where mud and other foreign materials collect.

#### **EXTERIOR**

The exterior surface of your motor home has an automotive finish. Frequent washing and thorough cleaning is recommended to prevent damage to the vehicle finish after exposure to damaging salts, calcium chloride, road tar, tree sap, insects and other foreign material. Never wash the vehicle in direct sunlight, while the vehicle surface is hot, or using hot water.

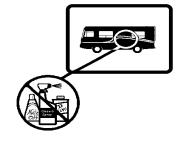
Do not use strong soaps or detergents for washing the motor home. Always use a mild soap in warm water, a commercially prepared product for cleaning automotive finishes or your local car wash. Be careful when using pressure-type washers to avoid loosening exterior decals or sealants, etc.

After washing the motor home, carefully inspect caulking around window frames and vents and any other joints that may have separated. Recaulking, if necessary, is quite simple. Appropriate compounds are sold at Winnebago and Itasca dealers, and the materials are quickly and easily applied. Also, inspect weather seals around door, etc., and if necessary have a dealer replace them immediately.

#### **CAUTION**

Never use a strong solvent such as lacquer thinner, or harsh abrasives on painted surfaces.

It is recommended that a coat of automotive wax be applied to the surface occasionally to provide added protection against harmful deposits coming in contact with the paint.



## **Care of Stripes** and **Decals**

The pressure-sensitive decals on your coach require very little maintenance.

They should be treated like any painted surface on your vehicle. Here are a few helpful hints on caring for decals:

- Wash decals with plain soap and water or any retail car wash soap. Always rinse thoroughly.
- Keep high-pressure wash nozzles at least 1 1/2 feet from edge of decals. High pressure water spray may cause edge lifting of decals.



- Test any cleaning solution on a small section of decal before using.
- Do Not use any aromatic solvents such as acetone, MEK, toluene, xylene, etc., on decals.
   Any solvent including alcohol may soften or smear colors.
- Do Not use lacquer thinner or paint on decals.
   Do Not overcoat decals with clear paint.
- Do Not let gasoline or other fuels drip and stay on decals for any length of time. Rinse immediately.

#### COMPARTMENT DOORS

Apply powdered graphite lubricant to compartment door latches periodically as necessary to keep latches operating smoothly.

If rubber door seals should become sticky, making the door hard to open, apply a rubber protectant such as  $303^{\text{TM}}$ , Armor-All<sup>TM</sup>, Son-of-a-Gun<sup>TM</sup>, etc..

## UPHOLSTERY, CARPETING AND DRAPERIES

We recommend a weekly routine of vacuuming all fabrics and carpet throughout the motor home to prevent an accumulation of dirt which can detract from the appearance and shorten the lift of carpet and fabrics.

#### **Carpets**

See the carpet manufacturer's Carpet Care Guide in your Owner's InfoCase. It includes detailed information on cleaning soils and removing stains from the fine carpet in your coach

### **Upholstery**

Some fabrics used in this motor home may contain fire retardant and lightfastness additives which can be damaged by use of improper cleaning products. Some water-based household cleaning products are not formulated for use on fabrics and may cause excessive shrinkage or fading. Always test any cleaning product on a hidden area of fabric before using on visible ar-

eas. For best results, fabric cleaning should be referred to a professional carpet and upholstery cleaner

NOTE: To minimize fading of upholstery, carpets and other interior fabrics caused by excessive sunlight, the drapes, blinds or shades should be closed when the motor home is parked for an extended period of time

#### WARNING

When cleaning upholstery and fabric, do not use lacquer thinner, nail polish remover, laundry soaps, or bleach. Never use carbon tetrachloride, gasoline, or naptha for any cleaning purpose. These materials may cause damage to the material being cleaned and most are highly flammable.

#### **Spots and Stains**

Spots or stains should be treated as soon as possible before they "set in" to avoid permanent damage. Always start from the outside of a spot or stain and work inward to avoid spreading it. Use a clean cloth or sponge and turn frequently to an unused area of the cloth or sponge as you clean.

Some stains or soils, such as lipstick, ink, grease or mustard, are extremely difficult or impossible to remove completely and should receive immediate attention. Consult a professional carpet and upholstery cleaner for assistance.

## Leather Upholstery - Driver/Co-Pilot Seats & Sofa - (Optional)

The optional leather seats are made of top quality cattle hide soft leather.

 We recommend using a mild soap and water applied gently to the soiled areas. Buff dry immediately with a soft cloth to avoid water spotting. Avoid harsh and excessive rubbing while cleaning. Soft leather needs delicate care.





 Never use harmful substances (e.g. stain removers, solvents, saddle soap, shoe polish or other unsuitable fluids) on soft leather. Cleaning and touch-up kits specifically formulated for leather upholstery are available from most fine furniture dealers.

#### **Vinyl Fabrics**

Vinyl should be cleaned with a soft, damp cloth, and a mild detergent only. Do not use solvents. Solvents may damage the surface of the vinyl.

### **Draperies, Curtains and Bedspreads**

These items may be woven from a variety of fabrics. We recommend that these be professionally dry cleaned only. A five percent shrinkage may occur when you have these items dry cleaned

#### **CABINETRY**

Your cabinets are made of high quality hard-woods. Clean and beautify using a soft cloth and a good quality lemon oil wood finish cleaning product.

NOTE: Cabinetry and furniture items throughout this motor home are constructed either partially or completely of real hardwoods. Because of natural variations in woodgrain density, slight differences in stain hue may exist between one item and another. This is the distinctive character and beauty of real wood.

#### **Decorative Cabinet Mirrors and Windows**

Use a good quality glass cleaner or mild soap and water solution. It is best to use a spray bottle to apply a light mist rather than saturating the surface. WIPE DRY IMMEDIATELY. DO NOT ALLOW GLASS TO REMAIN WETTED FOR LONGER THAN A FEW SECONDS. Prolonged moisture can cause the applique coating to lift from the surface of the glass.

Do not use sharp objects to scrape debris such as fly specks etc. Sharp objects can chip or lift the applique coating.

## TABLES AND COUNTERTOPS SURFACES

The tables, countertop and work surfaces are made of beautiful and durable solid surface material.

- Wipe clean with a sponge and soapy water or ammonia-based cleaner.
- Stubborn stains may be removed using a 3M Scotch-Brite<sup>TM</sup> or equivalent type scouring pad.
- Towel dry to eliminate water spotting.
- Disinfect by wiping with 50/50 mixture of water and household bleach. Rinse with clean water.
- See the countertop manufacturer's Care & Maintenance booklet in your operations manual binder for further information.

#### VINYL WALLBOARD

Decorative vinyl covered wallboards may be cleaned with a mild soap and water solution. Do not use solvents or abrasive cleaning products.

#### STAINLESS STEEL SINK

The stainless steel sink can be cleaned with soap or detergent. Rinse thoroughly with warm water and wipe dry to avoid streaks.

Use a mild abrasive for stubborn stains. Work in the direction of the polish lines. To keep the original finish, polish with a wax cleaner and rub with a dry soft cloth.

#### WARNING

Salts, mustard and mayonnaise may causing pitting. If spilled, clean immediately.





#### RANGE AND REFRIGERATOR

For care and appearance maintenance of the range and refrigerator, refer to the operation and maintenance manual for each of the individual appliances included in your Owner's InfoCase.



#### **BATHROOM**

The tub and shower walls in the bathroom should be cleaned with a mild soap and water solution, or (to obtain maximum luster) use a good quality wax cleaner. Do not use an abrasive cleaner on the shower walls and tub. If the shower has a glass door, it is extremely important that abrasives not be used. Solvents and aromatic spirits that contain a petroleum base or additive should also not be used. These products can cause a reaction with the glass that results in visible deterioration marks. Use only a good quality glass cleaner or mild detergent and water solution with a soft cloth to clean glass surfaces.

The bathroom lavatory is made of solid surface material and should be cleaned with a mild soap and water solution. Abrasive cleaners or harsh detergents should not be used. See "Tables and Countertop Surfaces" for more information.

For instructions on the care of your fresh water toilet, refer to the information in your Owner's InfoCase.



### DOORS AND WINDOWS

Windows may be periodically cleaned with a good quality glass cleaner or mild soap solution using a soft cloth. Use care when removing ice or frost from the windows. Always use a plastic ice scraper, never one made of metal. Use care when removing ice from the mirrors to protect the reflective surfaces.

Door locks and hinges should be lubricated periodically with powdered graphite to ensure trouble-free operation and to protect against freeze-up.



(See also Safety Precautions, Section 1 of this manual).

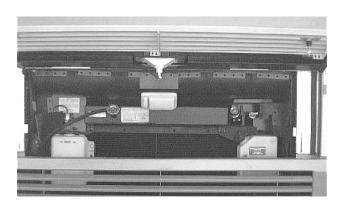


## CHASSIS SERVICE & MAINTENANCE

Consult the appropriate sections in your chassis operating guide for specific information regarding operating safety, service recommendations and maintenance schedules for the chassis section of your motor home.

#### REAR ENGINE GRILLE

The diesel engine is located behind the grille at the back of the vehicle.



With the service panel open, you can access the following service points:

- Engine Oil Dipstick
- Engine Oil Fill Cap
- Power Steering Reservoir
- Radiator Cap
- Engine Coolant Overflow Bottle
- Transmission Dipstick/Fill Tube
- Air Filter Restriction Indicator

Unlock the service panel and swing it upward.



#### **ENGINE TOP COVER**

The engine top cover is located beneath the rear bed. This cover is only removed for replacement of engine parts or if a complete view of the engine is needed for inspection. To do this, remove the mattress from the bed and lift the hinged bed board upward. Support the bed board with a suitable prop rod while accessing engine.

Routine engine inspection can be performed (with protective clothing) under the left rear side of the vehicle, between the luggage compartment and engine exhaust muffler.



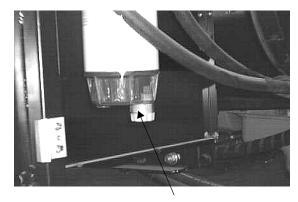
Top View of Engine with Cover Open

#### **FUEL/WATER SEPARATOR**

Diesel fuel often contains small quantities of water which can damage the engine if not filtered out. The fuel/water separator traps this water and prevents it from reaching the engine. The harmful water deposits must be drained from the separator canister during normal periodic service and maintenance to keep the fuel filtration system working effectively.

The fuel/water separator is located in the rear engine compartment. Open the grille and look straight down inside the opening.

Place an appropriate container beneath the outlet and screw the water release valve open several turns. Drain any water deposits from the canister until clean diesel fuel flows from the valve. Close valve by hand. Do not over tighten.



Fuel/Water Drain Valve

Dispose of the drained liquid in an environmentally responsible manner, such as taking to a waste oil disposal center.



#### **ENGINE COOLING SYSTEM**

Refer to your Freightliner chassis operating manual and Cummins engine manual for information and precautions on filling, servicing and checking the fluid level.

#### **CAUTION**

When refilling the coolant system, be sure to allow for additional coolant capacity of the automotive heater and its supply and return hoses.



#### **TIRES**

Low air pressure results in tire overloading and abnormal wear and also affects handling and fuel economy. Obtain proper inflation pressures from your chassis operating guide or tire manufacturer.





See the Vehicle Certification Label affixed to the rear edge of the driver's door for tire information.

#### WARNING

Make sure all replacement tires are of the same size and ply rating as those installed as original equipment.



### SUSPENSION ALIGNMENT AND TIRE BALANCE

The front suspension and steering system of this vehicle was factory aligned using highly accurate equipment prior to delivery to the dealership. However, we recommend that alignment be checked and adjusted, if necessary, after you have fully loaded the motor home according to your personal needs. Thereafter, the alignment should be periodically inspected to help prevent uneven tire wear.

Any excessive or abnormal tire wear may indicate worn or misaligned suspension or steering, unbalanced tire or other tire/suspension problem.

Alignment can be affected by worn steering/ suspension parts or by incidents which happen during driving, such as hitting a curb, pothole or railroad track, etc. Improper alignment can cause tires to roll at an angle and wear unevenly. It may also cause the vehicle to "pull" to the right or left. Have your dealer inspect your vehicle's suspension and steering components periodically for misalignment or wear.

Out-of-balance tires will not roll smoothly and can lead to annoying vibrations and uneven tread wear such as cupping and flat spots. Tires may need to be balanced if uneven wear is detected or if ride comfort decreases noticeably.

See your chassis operating guide for further information.



## WINDSHIELD WASHERS AND WIPERS

See your chassis operating guide for recommendations, precautions and replacement information on washers and wipers.



### LIGHTS

All exterior lights should be checked for proper operation each time the vehicle is prepared for a trip. Any bulbs which fail to light should be checked and replaced, when necessary, with a new bulb of the same size. A failure of more than one light, such as both taillights not operating, may indicate a burned out fuse. Check fuse and replace with one of the same rating when necessary. If a fuse is not the cause of the problem, the wiring system should be checked immediately by an authorized service center.

The headlight circuit is protected by an auto reset circuit breaker built into the headlight switch. An overload on the breaker will cause the lights to flicker on and off. Headlight wiring should be checked immediately anytime this condition is apparent. Refer to your chassis operating guide for further information.

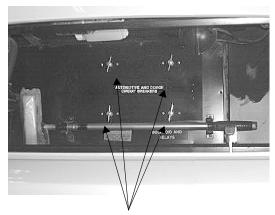
## AUTOMOTIVE 12-VOLT FUSES AND CIRCUIT BREAKERS

The automotive fuses and breaker are conveninently located on the automotive fuse/breaker panel behind the "hood" panel as shown below.

The circuit breakers will pop outward if they are tripped. Simply push in to reset.

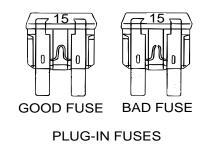
Always replace plug-in type fuses with those of the same amperage size.





Twist Locks to Remove Cover

Automotive Fuse/Breaker (Behind "Hood" Panel)





# SECTION 10 STORING YOUR MOTOR HOME





## PREPARING VEHICLE FOR STORAGE

Properly preparing your vehicle for storage will lessen the possibility of damage to your vehicle. Prepare the motor home for vacancy just as you would if you were leaving your house for an extended period:

- Remove all perishables from cabinets and refrigerator
- Prop refrigerator door open.
- Turn off LP gas tank.
- Drain water heater, water tank and holding tank
- Close shades to protect upholstery from sunlight

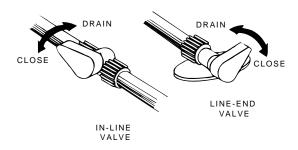
When storing your vehicle through the winter, or in cold climates, extra preparations need to be made to protect systems that can be damaged by freezing temperatures.



## **Cold Weather Storage Procedure (Winterizing)**

- 1. Clean and dump holding tanks by following steps A, B, and C
  - A. Add water to the sewage holding tank by holding the toilet flush lever open with the water pump running. Add water to the waste water holding tanks by opening the kitchen, shower and lavatory faucets. Tanks should be about 1/4 to 1/3 full to rinse properly. Driving to a disposal site will normally loosen and rinse any waste material from the sides of the tank.
  - B. Completely drain the sewage and waste water holding tanks at an approved waste disposal site. Drain the sewage tank first so the following waste water can rinse any waste solids from the dump outlet and sewer hose.
  - C. Close dump valves and refit the dust cap onto the drain outlet.

- 2. Level the motor home and drain the entire plumbing system as described in the following steps.
- 3. Then turn on Wash Station Shower Head and lay shower head on ground to drain any water left in shower line. Also place the tip of your finger into the city water inlet and gently press the backflow valve "button" in the center of the inlet to drain any water left in the stub line.



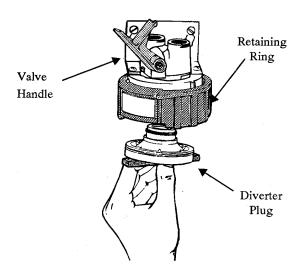
- 4. Remove and discard the water filter cartridge
  - Raise the valve handle and turn the colored retaining ring fully clockwise.
  - Twist the filter cartridge counterclockwise about 90° and pull it down and out of the filter head.
  - Place a container beneath the filter head and lower the valve handle to drain any water remaining in the filter lines.

NOTE: If your coach is equipped with the refrigerator ice maker option, the ice maker water lines must also be drained. See "Winterizing the Ice Maker" on page 8-4.





Water Filter Assembly -Below Galley Sink



- 5. Install the antifreeze diverter plug -
  - Raise the valve handle and turn the colored retaining ring fully clockwise.
  - Hold the diverter by the support bar as shown and guide it up into the filter head with bar end approximately centered inside the retaining ring.
  - Push the diverter up into the head as far as possible and turn it clockwise approximately 90°.
  - Then turn retaining ring fully counterclockwise. The diverter should be locked in position between the head and retaining ring.
  - Lower valve handle to lock retaining ring in place.

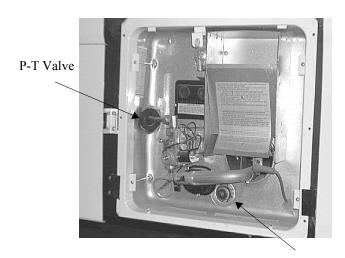
## *NOTE: Before using again the following spring:*

- Flush out the system with the diverter in place.
- After the system has been thoroughly flushed, remove the diverter and store for future use. The diverter plug is intended for winterization only.
- Install a new water filter cartridge.
- If your coach is equipped with the refrigerator ice maker option, the ice maker water lines must also be drained. See "Winterizing the Ice Maker" on page 8-4.
- 6. Turn the Water Pump switch ON to allow it to operate until you are done draining all faucets and toilet.
- 7. Open all faucets and shower head valves, including exterior shower.
- 8. Operate the toilet flush lever and hold until water stops flowing in the toilet. Then turn water pump switch OFF.
- 9. Turn off the water heater power switch before draining the water heater tank to avoid damage to the heating element.

  Drain the water heater by removing the plug from the base of the water heater tank, accessible from the outside of the coach.

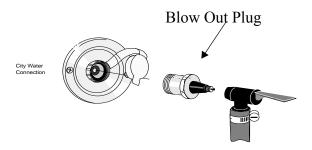
  (Requires socket and ratchet.) Also open the Pressure-Temperature relief valve at the top right portion of the tank to prevent air locking in the tank while draining.





Water Heater Drain Plug

10. After water has stopped draining at all faucets and drain valves, connect a "blow-out" plug to the city water connection on the coach. Then use a hand pump or air compressor regulated to 30 psi or less to force air through the system. (A "blow-out" plug can be purchased at any Winnebago or Itasca dealer. P/N 701705-01-000.)

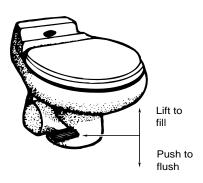


#### **CAUTION**

Limit air pressure to 30 psi to avoid damage to pump or water lines.

NOTE: DO NOT burst air into the system. This can damage the water pump. It is better to let air in slowly.

- 11. Let air flow for five minutes until water is completely drained out of faucets and drain valves. Then close faucets one at a time.
- 12. Operate and hold toilet flush lever until water is completely drained from toilet.



- 13. Now turn air pressure off and disconnect water purge adapters. Recap the city water connection to avoid contamination by dirt or insects.
- 14. Close all drain valves and faucets to avoid contamination by dirt or insects. Reinstall water heater drain plug and close P-T relief valve
- 15. Pour about one cup of non-toxic RV antifreeze into the kitchen sink drain, bathroom sink drain and shower drain. This prevents any holding tank odors from entering the coach during storage.

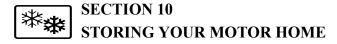
#### WARNING

NEVER use automotive antifreeze/coolant in your RV water system. Auto antifreeze contains ethylene glycol which, if ingested, can cause blindness and can be fatal.

It is not necessary to add antifreeze to the toilet since the flush valve will be closed.

Do not add automotive antifreeze or caustic chemicals such as bleach or laundry detergents into the toilet bowl or holding tanks. Although these products may have a deodorizing effect, they may damage plastic and rubber parts in the system.

NOTE: As an alternative to totally draining the plumbing system, you may winterize tanks and lines by pumping nontoxic RV antifreeze through the system. This product is available from your dealer and from most RV supply





stores. Follow directions on the container to determine the correct amount to use for your coach.

See "RV ANTIFREEZE WATER LINE WINTERIZATION SYSTEMS" at the end of this section for instructions.

#### **CAUTION**

Leave by-pass valve handle in NOR-MAL FLOW position if draining water and blowing out water lines. Place in BYPASS position ONLY when using antifreeze solution in water lines.

16. Place a bucket beneath the sewage drain valve outlet and re-drain the sewage and waste holding tanks of any clean water that entered during "blow-out" procedure.

Close dump valves to prevent valve shafts from rusting and to prevent entry by rodents and insects. Refit the dust cap onto the drain outlet.

Your drainage and fresh water systems are now totally winterized.

- 17. Have the vehicle chassis completely serviced and lubricated. Be sure radiator antifreeze protection level is sufficient for the lowest anticipated temperatures.
- 18. Wash and wax the coach.
- 19. Inspect all seams and seals around doors, windows, vents, and any other joints. Replace or repair any that are damaged. Sealing materials and compounds can be purchased from your dealer. Badly damaged weather seals may need to be replaced by your dealer.
- 20. Close all windows and roof vents. Protect all appliance vent openings from contamination by animals or insects (e.g. bird nests, wasp nests, etc.)
- 21. Lubricate all door hinges and locks.
- 22. Clean the interior of the coach. Dirt and stains are more easily removed when fresh.

- Remove all foods and items that may cause odors.
- 24. Clean and defrost the refrigerator. Leave the door slightly ajar to allow any odors to dissipate. Place an open box of baking soda inside the refrigerator to help absorb odors.
- 25. Turn the furnace thermostat switch on the bottom of the thermostat to OFF.
- 26. Turn auxiliary battery (Aux Batt) switch off and disconnect all chassis and auxiliary battery cables.
- 27. Fully charge all batteries. Batteries must have at least 80% charge to survive freezing temperatures and long periods of non-use.

NOTE: We do not recommend leaving the shoreline plugged in continuously during storage periods because the batteries can lose electrolytic fluids and become damaged from continuous charging without periodic use. We recommend following regular battery inspection and maintenance, especially in cold weather. See "Battery Maintenance" on page 6-10 this section.

## RV ANTIFREEZE WATER LINE WINTERIZATION SYSTEMS

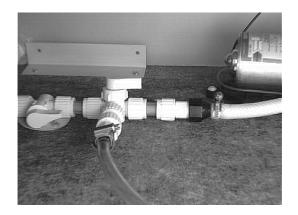
#### **Manual Winterization Valve - Standard**

Your coach is equipped with a manually operated water line winterization system for your convenience in winterizing fresh water lines.

The system features a diverter valve and draw tube in-line between the tank and water pump, and uses the water pump to draw non-toxic RV water system antifreeze into the water lines. This feature is located near the water pump and drain valves.



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To Fill Lines with RV Water Line Antifreeze:

- Turn water heater by-pass valve to by-pass position.
- Remove and save the protective cap from the end of the draw tube.
- Insert the end of the tube into a container of RV antifreeze solution.
- Turn the diverter valve handle so that it points toward the draw tube.
- Turn a water pump switch on.
- Open each cold water faucet handle in the coach one at a time until antifeeze solution just begins to flow from the faucet, then close.

#### When Done Adding RV Antifreeze:

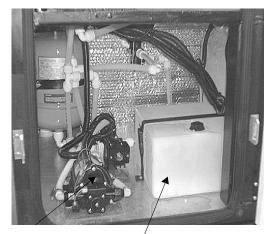
- Turn water pump switch off.
- Turn the diverter valve handle so it points toward the water line to the pump as shown in the photo. This will to stop the flow from the draw tube and revert the tank line flow to the pump.
- Replace the protective cap onto the end of the draw tube to keep out insects and debris when not in use

#### **Automatic Winterization System - Optional**

Your coach may be optionally equipped with an electric pump powered automatic water line winterization system for your convenience in winterizing fresh water lines.

The reservoir tank for the RV water system antifreeze is located in the slide-out cargo compartment on the driver side of the coach.

Remove the large black square-headed plug and use a funnel to fill the tank. Capacity is approximately 2 gallons. The tank may require refilling before the system is completely filled.

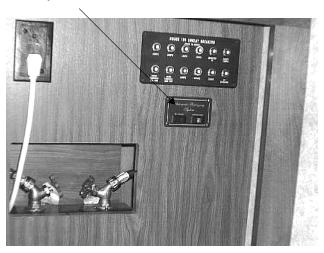


Water Pump

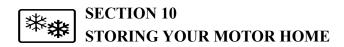
RV Water System Antifreeze Reservoir

The winterization system switch panel is located near the house 12-volt breaker panel.

Winterization System Switches



- Press the BYPASS switch to avoid filling the 6 gallon water heater tank with antifreeze after the draining the water heater at the service panel on the outside of the coach. If you should wish to fill the water heater tank with antifreeze solution, leave this switch off.
- Press the WINTERIZE switch to turn the winterizing pump system on to fill the lines with RV antifreeze solution.







## REMOVAL FROM STORAGE

- 1. Completely air out the motor home.
- 2. Have the entire LP gas system checked for leaks.
- 3. Check window operation.
- 4. Check cabinet and door hinges. Lubricate with penetrating oil, if necessary.
- 5. Close all faucets and drain valves that are open. If necessary, reconnect toilet water line and close flush valve.
- 6. Add a few gallons of water to the fresh water tank and check for leaks especially at junctions. Also make sure all hangers and supports are securely in place. Sanitize the water system as outlined under "Disinfecting the Fresh Water System" in Section 7.
- 7. Check operation of all faucets to be sure faucet washers have not hardened during storage.
- 8. Check sealing valve in the toilet for proper operation and lubricate with silicone spray.
- 9. Add water to the holding tank using the toilet flush pedal. Check to be sure dump valve seals tightly.
- 10. Check around all appliances for obstructions and ensure that all vent openings are clear.
- 11. Start refrigerator and check for proper cooling.
- 12. Clean paneling and counter surfaces and apply a thin coat of wax.
- 13. Replace batteries if necessary and check out electrical system to make sure all lights and electrical components operate.
- 14. Check tires for proper cold inflation pressure.
- 15. After washing accumulated winter grime from the vehicle, it is important to carefully inspect the seams and sealants for separation or cracks that may have appeared around the window frames, vents and any other joints. Re-sealing is quite simple and the material is quickly and easily applied. Appropriate compounds are available from your dealer. Also inspect weather seals around doors, etc., and

if necessary, have a dealer replace immediately.

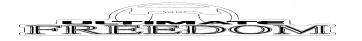




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Chassis: Make		Serial (VIN)		
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Furnace:	Brand		Serial	
Water Heater:		Model		
Power Converter:		Model		
110-Volt Generator:		Model		
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### MAINTENANCE RECORD

Date	Odometer Mileage	Description of Service	Cost	

### **FUEL & OIL RECORD**

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### **FUEL & OIL RECORD**

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