Service Tips from the Experts

Roof to Sidewall Joint Sealing

This month we want to remind you of the importance of regular inspection and maintenance of the seam between the roof skin and awning rails on your Winnebago Industries, Inc. motor home. We suggest that you carefully inspect this seam twice each year. A proper inspection requires that, in addition to a visual check, you lightly push against the skin at the seal to ensure that it adheres to the awning rail channel. Any areas where sealant is missing or the adhesion is broken will require removal of the ineffective sealant, thorough cleaning and preparation for new, and careful application of the recommended product. The following is an excerpt from a service bulletin to our dealers which addresses this process.

We are providing the following procedure to assist with sealing the roof to sidewall joint on Winnebago and Itasca motor homes.

 For all units ensure the fiberglass skin is free of contamination. Clean aluminum trim and fiberglass thoroughly with rubbing alcohol.

Note: If silicone sealer was used to seal roof to sidewall joint previously, the silicone needs to be thoroughly removed so the urethane will adhere to fiberglass and aluminum trim.

- For units without over the roof paint, cap seal the roof fiberglass and trim with 072889-10-000 bright white urethane.
- For units with over the roof paint, cap seal the roof fiberglass and trim after painting with 094401-04-000 clear sealer.

The part numbers for the sealant are for tubes that will work in a standard caulking gun.

Please refer to the Sealants Callout Sheets at www.winnebagoind.com under Resources, then Manuals & Diagrams. You can also find the Sealant Callout Sheet in the Supplement Manual found in the InfoCase of the motor home.

