Road Trip & Maintenance Checklist

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1. Pre-Trip Preparation :
☐ Verify vehicle registration, insurance, and driver's license are up to date.
Inspect tires for wear, damage, and proper pressure (including the spare).
☐ Check all fluid levels: oil, transmission, brake, coolant, windshield washer, etc.
☐ Test all exterior lights: headlights, turn signals, brake lights, and hazards.
Inspect and clean the battery terminals; ensure battery charge is sufficient.
Check belts, hoses, and filters for signs of wear or leaks.
☐ Verify towing connections, safety chains, and hitch components (if applicable).
Secure all loose items inside the RV to prevent shifting during travel.
Check the propane system for leaks and ensure tanks are filled.
☐ Test smoke, propane, and carbon monoxide detectors.
2. On-the-Road Essentials :
☐ Keep an emergency roadside kit (flares, jumper cables, tire repair kit).
Pack a first-aid kit with medications and medical supplies.
Ensure GPS, maps, or navigation apps are updated and functional.
☐ Bring extra water, snacks, and non-perishable food.
☐ Check that your toolset includes necessary wrenches, pliers, and screwdrivers.
Have a flashlight with spare batteries and a multi-tool handy.
☐ Store important documents in a waterproof folder (registration, insurance, etc.).
☐ Carry spare fuses, bulbs, and essential fluids (oil, coolant, DEF).
3. Campsite Setup :
• Inspect the site for hazards (low branches, uneven ground, etc.).
 Deploy stabilizers and level the RV using leveling blocks or jacks.
• Ensure all slides are extended evenly.
• Connect water, electrical, and sewer hookups properly.
• Set up outdoor gear: chairs, table, awning, and lighting.
• Turn on propane and confirm appliances are functioning.
 Ensure safety items like fire extinguisher and first-aid kit are accessible.
4. Routine Maintenance :
Change engine oil and filters at manufacturer-recommended intervals.
☐ Change the heating element, water filters and clean air filters every ~3 months.
Flush and sanitize the fresh water and black tank system regularly.
Check roof seals, seams, and windows for leaks.
Inspect brakes and suspension components before long trips.
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Clean and treat slide-out seals to prevent cracking.
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5. Winterization & Storage:

☐ Drain and winterize the plumbing system with RV antifreeze.
☐ Disconnect and store the battery in a cool, dry place.
☐ Clean and empty all tanks: fresh, gray, and black water.
☐ Inspect and cover vents, windows, and openings to prevent pests.
Remove perishables and clean the interior thoroughly.
☐ Cover tires and use RV covers to protect from weather damage.

And Don't Forget!

Contact Cruisin' RV Wash in-between trips or for regular maintenance washes to keep your RV in top-notch shape and road-ready year-round!



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