

FYI—When you pick up your RV from the dealer and you're doing your walk through, turn on every faucet and let it run and check underneath for leaks! I didn't and wish I had. Once I had my RV home, after I de-winterized it, I quickly learned that EVERYTHING leaked!

The drawer nearest the kitchen sink was full of water.

My sock drawer, beneath the dealer-installed washer/dryer unit, was full of water.

A pool of water lay under the sink in the half bath.

The first time we used the shower, water came pouring out and onto the bathroom floor.

There were two sources for the leaks: broken/insufficient caulking and loose pipe fittings. For the most part, these were easy, straight-forward fixes. I re-caulked everywhere that had caulk and checked and retightened all the fittings beneath the sinks. Easy enough. Except for the washing machine—this was a pain.



*Figure 1: Water was leaking from this fitting.*

There is no good way to reach the fitting that was loose, so I had to tap it tight with a long prybar and hammer.



Do yourself a huge favor and check these out before you take your RV home. If you've already taken it home, check these things out ASAP so that you don't get surprised at the most importune time—like I did!