

# **Disaster or Delight**

What you don't have may just hurt

Equipment every camper should have onboard

Water hose minimum 50' recommend 100'

Make sure you have a white hose that is fit for drinking. Green hoses are not tested for drinking water.

Pressure regulator for water hose

Install this in between the campground connection and your hose. Installing this in between your hose and RV does not protect the hose itself. Water pressure will vary from park to park, and sometimes differentiate within the park itself. RV's are only designed to handle 45 PSI of pressure.

Spare O'rings for water hose

Leaks can and will happen. Make sure you do not have to go without water because the hose is leaking at the connection.

Flexible sewer hose 20' minimum recommend 40'

Every campground has the sewer connection in a different location, and all RV's have the drain in a different location as well. You may not always be able to park with your drain right next to the parks sewer connection.

Tight fitting sewer connection

Elbow or rubber doughnut

Sewer smell is the last thing both you and your neighbors want to smell at dinner time. Help both you and them by keeping the odors contained within the sewer system. Placing the sewer hose straight into the campground pipe can cause backups, and if your hose gets stuck in the pipe, major damage can result.

Sewer fittings and hose clamps

If you cannot correctly hookup your hoses to fit tightly prevent leaks, most parks will not allow you to dump your tanks. Make sure you have the proper fittings and clamps needed for connections.

Sewer supplies and parts

Sewer chemicals, rubber gloves, flexible sewer wand, plunger

Wheel chocks

Leveling boards

No campground is built to have perfectly level RV pads. Even concrete pads need to have some slop to them in order to drain the water off them.

Spare tire for RV, jack and tire iron

Matches and long lighter

Trash Bags

Spare electrical fuses- 1 or 2 of each size

Electrical connections can come loose during travel, it is always important to have a spare fuse on hand to replace one when needed.

Spare light bulbs for main lights

Who wants to be left in the dark for the weekend.

Power cord extension/ power adapters

There are three main power hook-ups for campgrounds. 20 amp, 30 amp, and 50 amp. If your RV needs one the campground does not have, they make adaptors that can get you through in a pinch.

Small tool box with basic hand tools and flashlight

A few screwdrivers of each type and size are definitely needed. Pliers and wire strippers will always come in handy during an emergency. This is also a good place to store spare hitch pins and sway bar hooks.

Weather radio

Battery operated or backed up. Make sure you have spare batteries. This is not the time to find out the batteries in it do not work. Also make sure you know the county that you are staying in. The radio does not do much good if you don't know where you are.

Fire extinguisher

RV's can take less then 10 minutes to burn to the ground. Average response from a fire department is 8 minutes. That's after someone is able to call.

### Small Step Ladder

Three to four steps is usually sufficient, if you have room a six footer is better, (or tall enough to gain access to the roof of your RV).

### Level

Appliances do not work properly if the RV is not level. Using a three to four foot level helps to accurately determine both front to back, and side to side.

### Rain gear

If it is going to rain, it is probably going to do it when you are trying to set up or tear down.

### Awning straps and tie downs