# **BASIC OPERATION GUIDE**

This guide provides basic operational instructions pertaining to the components, devices, or equipment that may be installed on your motorhome. Please refer to the component manufacturer owner's manual for safety, troubleshooting, maintenance, and more detailed operating information.



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# **Basic Travel and Campsite Set-up**

This reference guide highlights basic step-by-step instructions on how to set-up your motorhome at a full access, pull-through campsite with cable television service.

#### **Essential Items Checklist For Your Travels\***

Qty-1	Tire air pressure gauge with valve extender	Qty-1	Clean-out water hose (for gray/black water tanks)	
		Qty-1	General use water hose	
Qty-1	Torque lug nut wrench (properly calibrated)	Qty-1	Sewer hose (10-15 feet minimum length)	
Qty-1+	Pack of leveling blocks	- /		
Qty-1	Spirit (Bubble) Level (16-24 inches long)	Qty-1	B inch Sewer hose seal (attaches between sewer nose and campground sewer)	
Qty-1	RV surge suppressor	Qty-1	Sewer hose supports	
Qty-1	30M/50F amp RV dogbone electrical adapter with handle (for motorhomes with 50 amp service)	Qty-1	45° Clear sewer hose adapter	
		Qty-1	Set square drive (Robertson) drill bits	
Qty-1	50M/30F amp RV dogbone electrical adapter with handle (for motorhomes with 30 amp service)	Qty-2+	Storage totes or containers (one for your sewer attachments and clean-out water hose, one for your potable (drinking) water hose and general use water hose, etc.)	
Qty-1	Coax (RG-6) cable (25 foot minimum length)	Qty-1	Box of disposable vinyl or latex gloves	
Qty-1	Water pressure regulator rated for 40-50 lbs of pressure (CSA low lead content certified. Complies with California's AB1953 and Vermont Act 193, Maryland HB 372, and Louisiana HB 471 Low Lead Content Laws)	Qty-1	Box of non-scented bleach disinfectant wipes	
		Qty-1	Package of RV/Marine toilet paper	
Qty-1	Potable (drinking) water hose BPA and phthalates free (Compliant with all federal and state level low lead laws. CSA Low Lead Content Certified to NSF/ANSI 372)	Qty-1	Container of holding tank treatment	

## Set-up instructions on back



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<sup>\*</sup>This list is not all-inclusive, please customize it to your individual needs.

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## Campsite Checklist



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Step	Follow the steps listed below to do your first set up at a pass-through, full access campsite with cable television service
1	Practice driving your new motorhome; it has a wider turning radius and longer stopping distance. Be aware of the height, width, and length of your motorhome; watch for maximum vehicle size and weight restrictions at bridges and overpasses, gas stations, toll-booths, etc.
2	Using a properly calibrated torque wrench, make sure the torque is correct for all wheel lug nuts.
3	Check the air pressure of all tires using an air pressure gauge with a valve extender.
4	Have your motorhome's propane (LP) tank filled by a qualified professional.
5	Do a shakedown trip soon after purchase to help you learn how to use your new motorhome. Make reservations locally (within 15-30 minutes of home) at a pull-through, full-hookup campsite with cable TV.
6	Upon arrival, check in at the campground office to get your campsite number and location.
7	Stop before pulling into your campsite; visually check to make sure there are no tree limbs or other obstructions that would interfere with extending your slideouts or otherwise affect your motorhome exterior.
8	Be sure passengers and by-standers stay well clear of your moving vehicle. Use the assistance of a spotter (a person that assists with vehicle movement and directions). Pull into the campsite and position your motorhome on fairly level ground and where doors and egress windows are easily accessible. Be sure utility hook-ups are on the driver's side of the motorhome. Re-check clearances for slideouts and awnings.
9	Turn on the main battery switch, located near the entrance door of your motorhome. This will power all 12 volt circuits and devices.
10	Level and/or stabilize your motorhome; use your spirit level (and leveling blocks as needed).
11	Make sure the campsite power pole amperage rating matches your motorhome's power capacity, then:  a) Turn the circuit breaker off at the campsite power pole. b) Connect your surge suppressor to the campsite power pole. c) Connect your motorhome shore line power cord to the surge suppressor; stretch out the shore line power cord so it is not coiled up on itself. d) Turn on the circuit breaker at the campsite power pole.  Pro-tip: If shore power is not available and the condition of the batteries is low, it will be necessary to operate the generator to ensure there is enough power to operate slideouts and other electrical devices.
12	Extend your motorhome's slideouts, being sure to first remove all travel bars and/or locks (if equipped).

- 13 If available, connect the RG-6 cable coax from the campsite cable outlet to the motorhome's cable inlet.
- 14 Ensure there are no obstructions inside or outside your motorhome before opening, extending, and securing your ramp door (if so equipped); set up your patio, deck, or ramp.
- Re-check to make sure there are no obstructions, then extend your motorhome's awning(s).

Pro-tip: Retract your awnings if you will be away from your motorhome for an extended period of time, before a storm, or during windy conditions.

- Wearing disposable vinyl or latex gloves, connect your motorhome's water inlet to the site's water source. Use disinfectant wipes to sanitize the campground fresh water inlet and both ends of your fresh water hose, then:
  - a) Make sure the campsite water connection is off.
  - b) Connect your water pressure regulator to the motorhome's city water inlet.
  - c) Connect one end of your potable (drinking) water hose to the water pressure regulator and the other end to the campsite water source.
  - d) Make sure your water tank is bypassed.
  - e) Make sure your water heater is **NOT** bypassed.
  - f) Install your new, clean drinking water filter (if equipped).
  - e) Connect your 45° clear sewer hose adapter to the motorhome sewer hose inlet.
  - f) Connect the sewer hose seal to one end of your sewer hose.
  - g) Connect one end of your sewer hose to the 45° clear sewer hose adapter and connect the other end (with the sewer hose seal) to the campsite sewer; place on sewer hose supports as needed.
  - h) Turn **on** the water at the campsite water connection.
  - i) From inside your motorhome, open the cold water faucet at the kitchen sink. It may "spit" and be noisy until the air pockets are gone; close the faucet when there is a steady stream of water.
  - j) Turn on your water heater; if the water does not get hot, remove the exterior water heater door and make sure the ON/OFF button is turned ON (it may initially be in the OFF position for new motorhome delivery and storage purposes).

Pro-tip: Leave your black and gray termination valves closed until the holding tanks are 3/4 - full, or you are ready to leave. When dumping the holding tanks, open the black holding tank termination valve(s) first, then open the gray holding tank termination valve(s).

Pro-tip: Use the toilet manufacturer's recommended amount of water when flushing your toilet to allow the RV toilet paper to dissolve as intended.

17 Open the propane valve at the LP tank. Follow ALL instructions and safety precautions for operating appliances using your motorhome propane (LP) system, included in your TMC Owner's Manual and individual component/appliance operating instructions.

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# **More Packing Suggestions**



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	CLOTHING		SLEEPING GEAR		MISCELLANEOUS
	Dresses		Blankets		Alarm Clock
	Gloves		Pillows, Pillow Cases		Batteries
	Hat or Cap		Sheets		Bucket
	Jackets, Coats		Sleeping Bags		Clothes Hangers
	Jeans, Dress Pants		, ,		Clothes Line, Clothes Pins
	Pajamas				Electronics Chargers
	Shirts, Blouses		PERSONAL COMFORT		Fresh Water Hose
	Shoes, Sandals		Anti-Bacterial Wet Wipes		Fuses
	Shorts		Ash Tray		Ground Extension Wire
	Socks		Personal Medications		Umbrella
	Sweaters		Personal Toiletries		Wheel Chocks
	Swimsuits		Sewing Kit, Scissors		Y-Type Water Hose Fitting
_	Undergarments		Soap	_	1 Type Water Flees Fitting
_	ondorgamento		Sunscreen		
			Toilet Paper		CAMPFIRE COMFORT
			Toothbrush, Toothpaste		Bug Repellent
	TOOL CHEST		Towels, Wash Cloths		Bug Zapper
П	Electrical Tape	ш	Towers, Wash Clours		Charcoal
	Step Ladder				Enclosed Screen Tent
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	Furnace Duct Tape Hatchet		MEAL PREPARATION	_	Firewood Grill
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	Masking Tape Saw		Baking Pans Rettle Opener Con Opener		Matches  Diania Table Clath with Cline
_			Bottle Opener, Can Opener Coffee Maker		Picnic Table Cloth with Clips
	Shovel, Rake				Yard Chairs
	Small Level		Foil, Plastic Wrap		
	Tire Pressure Gauge		Glasses, Cups		DET COMFORT
Ц	Various Tools		Plastic Containers	_	PET COMFORT
			Plates, Bowls		Food & Water Dish
			Portable Grill	_	Leash
			Pots, Pans, Skillets		Litter
_	HOUSEKEEPING		Salt & Pepper		Litter Box
	Dish Cloths, Dish Towels		Seasonings, Spices		Pet Food
	Dish washing Soap		Silverware, Spatulas, etc.		Portable Cages
_	Disposable Gloves		Toaster		Scoop with bags
	Garbage/ Trash Bag				Screw Stake for tie out
	Mop, Broom, Dust Pan				Tick Repellent
	Paper Towels		ENTERTAINMENT		Tie Out Cable
	Surface Cleaner, Degreaser		Binoculars		Toys
	Throw Rug		Books, Magazines		
	Trash Cans		Camcorder		
	Vacuum Cleaner		Camera, Film, Memory Card		OTHER
			Movies		
			Music/CD's		
			Toys, Games, Playing Cards		
	SAFETY		VHS Player, DVD Player		
	Compass		Yard Games		
	First-Aid Kit				
	Flares				
	Flashlights				
	Reflectors				