

## Flushing Non-Toxic RV Antifreeze through Your RV

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### *Very Important Tips-*

*Make sure that you have your fresh water tank bypass valves set correctly because you DO NOT want to flood your fresh water tank with antifreeze!*

*Make sure you have your hot water heater bypass valve in the correct position so that you do not fill your hot water tank with antifreeze. It's a waste of antifreeze and not necessary.*

*Make sure ALL of your water filters have been removed (including the refrigerator). Reinstall your water filter canister minus the filter and all water filter plugs. If you don't, you will waste antifreeze, make a mess and ruin your water filters!*

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### Flushing your water lines with RV Antifreeze

- After blowing the water out of the system with pressurized air, disconnect the hose, and pour approximately one cup of antifreeze into the hose. Hook the hose back up to the pressurized air, and blow the antifreeze through the hose and hose reel to protect it.
- Close the low point drains. This must be done prior to pumping antifreeze through the lines, or the antifreeze will be pumped onto the ground.
- Remove the whole house filter canister, and dump any remaining water, and reinstall.
- Winterizing valves in the wet bay are generally unique to the model and year of your motorhome. Make sure yours are in the correct winterizing position.
- Insert the winterizing hose into a jug or bucket of RV antifreeze.
- Turn on your water pump to draw the antifreeze into your water lines. Pink antifreeze will start flowing through the clear hose into the water lines. Make sure you are checking the supply of antifreeze and replenishing in the bucket as needed to complete the entire process.
- Go inside and turn on the cold water from the kitchen faucet and run until the pink antifreeze comes out and then turn off. Repeat this with the hot water faucet.
- Proceed to the next faucet, and repeat process for each faucet, including the lavatory, shower sprayers, and outside shower faucet. If equipped, repeat the process for the instant

hot water, drinking water dispensers, and hot water spigot with low point drain (next to the generator).

- ❑ Flush each toilet until the pink antifreeze is detected. If the toilet is equipped with a sprayer, activate and flush it until the antifreeze flows from the sprayer.
- ❑ After you have finished and closed all valves inside and out, go inside and pour a cup or so of antifreeze into each sink to make sure to fill each P-trap.
- ❑ Pour antifreeze into each toilet and allow to remain in bowl without flushing. This will help lubricate your toilet seals.

*Tip: RV Antifreeze will stain! Be sure to clean up as you go and don't let it dry on any surface!*

### RV Refrigerator Winterization

- ❑ Depress the refrigerator's external water dispenser while holding a container to catch the fluid. Continue to let the fluid flow until the pink antifreeze is detected.
- ❑ The pink antifreeze may not appear instantly, as most refrigerators have a reserve for cold water. However, if you did not remove the water filter as previously instructed, the fluid will run clear for a long time and you will have ruined your filter.
- ❑ Make sure the ice maker is turned on. Once it reaches the proper temperature, it will attempt to make ice cubes, which will become pink in color. This may take several hours. Once they become pink, turn off the ice maker and the refrigerator. Empty the ice cube tray, and clean out the ice maker and freezer area.

### RV Washer Winterization

The winterization procedure you follow for your RV washer depends on the brand of washer that you have in your motorhome. I'll cover the 2 most popular, Splendide and Whirlpool with instructions directly from their websites.

You should always consult the manufacturers' website for models specific to your RV.

[Splendide Washer Winterization](#) courtesy of their website:

- ❑ 1. With the machine power OFF, turn the WASH TEMP knob to HOT
- ❑ 2. Advance the Program Selector knob to REGULAR in Cotton Heavy Duty
- ❑ 3. Press the ON/OFF button (IN) and let the machine fill until antifreeze is in the drum
- ❑ 4. Advance Program Selector to a RESET. Wait 5 seconds (Status/Door Lock LED will blink)
- ❑ 5. Advance Program Selector to a SPIN position. Let the antifreeze drain from the drum
- ❑ 6. Advance Program Selector to RESET. Wait 5 seconds (Status/Door Lock LED will blink)
- ❑ 7. Turn the WASH TEMP knob to COLD

- 8. Advance the Program Selector knob to REGULAR in Cotton Heavy Duty
- 9. Let the machine fill until you see antifreeze in the drum
- 10. Advance the Program Selector knob to RESET. Wait 5 seconds (Status/Door Lock LED will blink)
- 11. Advance the Program Selector knob to SPIN. Let the antifreeze drain from the drum
- 12. Press the ON/OFF button (OUT).

Whirlpool RV Washer Winterization courtesy of their website:

- Put 1 quart (1 liter) of RV antifreeze in the drum.
- Run washer on a Drain/Spin cycle.
- Unplug washer or disconnect power.
- Shut off both water faucets.
- Disconnect water inlet hoses from faucets and drain.