

WINTER CARAVAN STORAGE

Remove all linens, blankets, cushions, clothes, mattresses etc. Which could be affected by damp conditions? Clean the caravan inside and out.

Drain off the water system. (See Water System Winterisation)

Ensure all windows, roof lights and doors are correctly fastened. Check fixed ventilation apertures are not obstructed.

Check that the site you have chosen to store the caravan is open, fairly high and dry and if possible not exposed to gales etc. If this proves impossible it is recommended that the caravan chassis is anchored to the ground.

Jack up the caravan (use bottle or screw jack, DO NOT use the corner steadies) so that the wheels are clear of the ground. Support the caravan axle with wooden blocks, axle stands or similar so that when the jacks are removed the wheels remain clear of the ground. Lower the corner steadies to 'just' site the caravan. Cover the tyres to prevent deterioration. Release the handbrake. Rotate the wheels at regular intervals to maintain wheel bearing lubrication. Grease the coupling and shroud in a waterproof protective cover.

SECURITY.

Lowering and locking the corner steadies and removing the wheels can reduce the risk of caravan theft.

NOTE.

DO NOT work underneath the caravan unless the corner steadies are down and the axle is supported.

Should the caravan be stored for a prolonged period of time, it is strongly recommended that the caravan is fully serviced before the commencement of use.

Caravans stored for any length of time should NOT have the handbrake or brakes applied. The wheels should be chocked or wedged and the handbrake released.

The hitch head should be checked to see that it is fully extended and that there is no load on the braking system.