

2021 HOLIDAY HOME draindown checklist



1 CLEAN Floors, surfaces, cupboards, fridges, sofas, cushions, even the kitchen sink!

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REMOVE VALUABLES



Remove TV's, laptops, tablets, phones & games consoles, then leave curtains open.

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PREVENT DAMP



Move soft furnishings away from walls and ceilings. Turn mattresses on side.

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SWITCH OFF ELECTRIC



Switch off all plugs before cleaning them, then switch off everything including the mains.

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DISCONNECT GAS



Turn off the gas, disconnect the bottled supply, and store the canister somewhere safe.

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HOW TO DRAIN DOWN



TAPS

- Switch off water supply
- Open drain-down taps under caravan
- Turn on all taps until the water has drained out.



PLUGS

- Pour anti-freeze down the drains & return plugs
- Disconnect shower hose and shower head
- Drain the water heater



PIPES

- Flush the toilet & pour antifreeze down
- Put scrunched up newspaper in the S-bend & close lid
- Antifreeze each wastepipe

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CLEAN THE ROOF



Clear debris from the roof and spray with a diluted, all-purpose cleaner. Wash off dirt with a brush, then wax the roof to seal & finish.

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EXTERIOR



Use a sponge and a high-quality cleaner like Autoglym to remove all grime and dirt, including skylights then rinse with hose.

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WINDOWS & DOORS



Wipe windows with sponge & window cleaner, check seals, then close tight & lock from inside.

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INFORM THE PARK



Let the park know you're leaving & always get repairs fixed before heading home for winter.



QUICK TIPS & TRICKS



DO

- Put bowls of salt in rooms to absorb moisture
- Remove curtains and nets to stop damp forming
- Change your central heating system to an anti-frost setting to avoid frost damage
- Spray all electrical contacts with WD-40 after cleaning
- Spray door hinges with oil

DON'T

- Leave air vents open or obstructed
- Put anything other than water or antifreeze down the drains
- Shut all internal doors - leave them open so air can flow & diminish damp
- Use a high pressure washer or steam cleaner on the outside
- Use cleaning agents on the outside that aren't for caravans