

# RV Boondocking Campsite Arrival Checklist

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## Arrival checklist

USE A GROUND GUIDE WHERE NEEDED,  
WITH A RADIO IF AVAILABLE, SAVES SHOUTING!  
oops.....saves shouting! and preserves marital bliss!

- \_\_\_ Scout a potential site on foot first! Avoid potential obstacles unseen from the cab.
- \_\_\_ Upon arrival pull/back into chosen site.(use a ground guide!)
- \_\_\_ Level the rig with the "traditional" stack of boards if that is your system of choice! (use a torpedo level if you don't have "installed" levels)
- \_\_\_ Chock the wheels of the Fifth wheel/trailer and Unhitch Driver, personally, visually verify that the landing gear is down, the umbilical is disconnected, and the hitch is clear.
- \_\_\_ Carefully pull the tow vehicle away and park in its selected spot.
- \_\_\_ Level the rig (if equipped with a leveling system) and reset chocks as necessary.
- \_\_\_ Remove slide security bars if used and deploy your slide(s). I just love saying retract, secure, deploy, engage etc.....sounds so NASA don't it?.
- \_\_\_ Turn on the LP/Gas valves if OFF for transport. Waiting a couple minutes before trying to light any appliances often helps.
- \_\_\_ It is a good idea to verify proper voltage with a good meter before hooking up at a FHU site.
- \_\_\_ Hook up umbilical (w/power former if you have one),
- \_\_\_ Hook up Sewer and water lines if you are in a FHU site!
- \_\_\_ Set out what camp equipment you are going to use in this camp.
- \_\_\_ Put the arrival checklist away, Pop a top, stick a CD in the stereo and Kick Back!

## For stops along the way.....short term stops.

\_\_\_ Chock your wheels. *Don't trust the parking brake.*

I carry heavy duty rubber wheel chocks and stick (2) quickly in between, and behind the trailer wheels on the driver/road side, to prevent movement in either direction if the parking brake of the truck should slip/fail. I also always put the stick in first gear. (Simple common sense but people often overlook such things in the excitement of a great trip. Take a few seconds and save a lot of heartache.

\_\_\_ Cover / Conceal Valuables left in your Vehicle.

\_\_\_ Umm.....don't forget to pick the chocks back up before you try to leave.....in our house we call that "pulling a Brian"