

Congratulations on the purchase of your new RV and thank you for the opportunity and trust to perform your RV inspection. This is an important step in helping you make the right decision so you can get down the road and start making memories. This checklist is a guideline to make sure everyone involved is aware of what is required to perform a safe and complete inspection.

- The RV needs to have full hookups including electricity, water, and sewer. An electric source needs to be appropriate for the RV. For example, 50 amp service for 50 amp RV. Without the proper electrical supply, the inspection may be limited, and some items not inspected.
- Coach Batteries must be installed and charged.
- A city water connection must be available in order to inspect the condition of the city water inlet and related plumbing to the freshwater tank, as well as any built-in black tank flushing capability. If no city water connection is available, the freshwater tank needs to be at least 1/3 to 1/2 full in order to check the freshwater pump, bathroom, and kitchen plumbing and fixtures.
- The inspector will be running hot and cold water at all fixtures from both the City Water Connection and the Freshwater tank and pump. **The inspector does not winterize the freshwater systems after the inspection.**
- Having an RV sewer connection is needed to test the black and grey tank, lines, and wastewater valves. No sewer connection and lack of ability to inspect these will be noted in the report.
- Black and gray tanks should be emptied prior to the inspection. Inspector will be adding water during the inspection to test the functioning of sensors and valves.
- The RV needs to be parked on a level, with a stable surface where there is adequate room around the RV to extend all slides, open all doors, open all awnings, and safely place a ladder to access the roof.
- Accurate evaluation and testing of the RV propane system is critical and can be a life safety issue. Please ensure at least one propane tank is at least half full for this part of the inspection.
- The refrigerator/freezer must have been turned on and running for at least 12 hours in order to get an accurate temperature reading on the unit.
- If the RV has a generator onboard, there needs to be more than 1/4 of a tank of the appropriate fuel for the testing process. This could be gas or diesel fuel from a tank, the engine, or propane.
- The inspector must have keys for all doors, compartments, and ignition as appropriate.
- Personal items should be removed from the RV so that interior structures of compartments and cabinets may be properly inspected. The inspector will not move personal items for the inspection and items and areas not visible will be noted in the report.
- The inspector will not share or discuss the results of the inspection with anyone other than the customer without the customer's consent. If the customer wishes to share results with others, it is their right to do so. Exceptions would be made if the inspector identifies an immediate life safety concern. Life safety concerns will be provided to all parties to reduce the potential for injury.
- The buyer and/or owner is welcome to be present during all or part of the inspection, but please understand that with that kind of distraction it can take much longer to complete, and it can reduce the accuracy of the report – especially if there are a lot of questions or explanations that the owner may require. If the inspector is not allowed to or is not given the time required to, inspect everything they normally would, this will be noted on your report.

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- The inspection is not intended to be an owner orientation. That is a separate service, with a different agenda, to be performed at a different time. The inspection is rigorous, and the report is comprehensive, which is why we need all of the allotted time to complete the inspection.
- The inspection will follow the [Standards of Practice](#) and the inspector will adhere to the [Code of Ethics](#) as outlined by the NRVA.
- An inspection is not to be considered a warranty or guarantee (expressed or implied) on the unit being inspected. It is simply a point-in-time “snapshot” of the condition of the unit, the items inspected, on the day it was inspected.
- Feel free to share this with your seller, salesperson/dealer as an attachment, and please cc Vital Inspections Plus so we can all be on the communication thread together and follow along with the process and progress. [lverhagen@vitalinspectionsplus.com](mailto:lverhagen@vitalinspectionsplus.com)