

T-24 checklist (24 hours before departure)

These can be done casually any time the day before:

- Dump / Flush REAR black tank
- Secure REAR Dump Hose (less stuff to stow on departure day)
- TREAT REAR Black Tank
- Dump / Flush FRONT black tank (we leave this hooked up as it's also the dump for Grey 1 and Grey 2, the hose is under the slide anyway)
- TREAT FRONT black tank.
- Fuel Truck (much simpler to fuel without the rig attached)
- Inspect HITCH bolts and connectors, including hitch head retaining pins
- Inspect Rig wheels and suspension (torque lug nuts once a month) (just a general visual inspection of the leaf springs, attachment points, etc. looking for anything amiss)
- Sweep slide toppers and inspect roof. (while slide toppers really eliminate this need, I still like to get stuff off them that may have accumulated during our stay)
- Fill fresh tank (% based on next location) (usually just 1/3 tank unless we'll be boondocking)
- Check Rig tires (inflation, general inspection) (a TPMS / Tire Pressure Monitoring System makes this a simple task. I always make sure the tires are +/- 3psi of OUR target of 110psi - find your own pressure)
- Check Truck tires (inflation, general inspection) (truck TPMS also greatly simplifies this)
- Check Pin Box Airbag pressure (100psi) (our FlexAir pin box has a shock and airbag. I've found that 100psi cold with no load puts it right about where it's supposed to ride when loaded)
- Check Radios / charge if needed

T-12 (night before departure, usually just before bed)

- Secure outside items. (rug, chairs, etc)
- Plan route and fuel
- Garage: rear bathroom vent closed and lights off
- Garage: rear bathroom secure and door closed
- Garage: desks in stow position (happijack desk mod)
- Garage: roll up carpet
- Garage: wheel-dock in place and tie downs ready (simply on the floor where they will go for travel)
- Load Lucile (if possible) and strap down loosely
- Secure patio (collapse patio rails and close rear door)
- Dump grey tanks and leave open

T-0 (morning of departure)

- Run generator (exercise) while prepping to leave (if etiquette allows)
- Bedroom secure and carpet stowed (closet door latched, laundry door closed)
- Bedroom windows closed
- Bedroom slide in
- Bedroom A/C and lights off
- Bathroom shower secure (everything off shelves, shower door locked open)
- Bathroom secure (vent closed, counter items stowed, bathroom door latched open)
- Hall window blind up
- Garage: secure (blinds up, patio doors latched, garage door locked, rolled rug on floor, tv locked in)
- Garage: Motorcycle straps tightened down
- Garage: Rear A/C and lights off
- Living room secure (refrigerator doors shut and latched, carpets stowed, chairs secured with padding, all drawers and cabinets closed)
- Pantry door closed
- Daisy's food and water bowls put away
- Windows closed / blinds up
- Middle A/C off
- One-Control Items off (water pump, water heater, ALL Lights)
- Generator off
- Inverter ON
- Slides: one last check for obstacles inside and out
- Slides: Retract with door, vent, or window open for air flow
- Secure main entrance (stow steps, lock door, secure hand hold)
- Secure Electrical and plumbing (water hose, power cord, sewer hose)
- Nautilus in dry camp mode (relieve system pressure before switching)

HITCHING Checklist (time to roll!)

This is BY FAR the most important checklist. Missing steps here can cause severe damage to the rig and / or truck, and possibly even injuries. There are some redundancies on this list, but it's good to double check some things from the outside.

- T-24, T-12, T-0 Checklists Complete
- RIG – Forward Bay Closed and Latched
- RIG – Pin Lock Removed
- RIG – Jacks / Stabilizers to TOW HEIGHT (Middle and Rear Retracted)
- TRUCK – TPMS ON
- TRUCK – Tailgate DOWN
- TRUCK – Back ALMOST to pin-box
- RIG – Adjust Kingpin height to proper hitch height of truck.
- TRUCK – OPEN Hitch Latch
- TRUCK – Back truck into Kingpin
- TRUCK – Visually check KINGPIN LOCK BAR IS LOCKED
- TRUCK – Connect Electrical cord and Breakaway cable.
- RIG – Lower Rig with Front landing gear to pull test height (front jacks 1” off the ground)
- TRUCK – Tow/Haul Mode and Mirrors EXTENDED
- TRUCK – Check that trailer brakes are adjusted and trailer is connected in ford system.
- TRUCK – PULL TEST (manually engage trailer brakes and try to pull away SLOW)
- TRUCK – Set parking brake.
- RIG – Retract ALL on landing gear
- TRUCK – CLOSE TAILGATE
- RIG – Remove and stow wheel chocks and landing gear blocks.
- RIG – Check and close all storage doors and lock.
- TRUCK – Lights on / Rear Camera working

- TRUCK – Validate TPMS reads all 6 tires and validate pressure / temperature
- TRUCK / RIG – Verify all lights are operable (signals, brake, reverse)
- TRUCK / RIG – Full Walk-around
- TRUCK – Rest Trip Meter
- GO!