

Southfield Farm Caravan Park

Caravan Storage End of Season Check List

- 1. Turn off, disconnect and remove gas cylinders.
- 2. Clean cassette toilet and empty flush water.
- 3. Drain all water from the system where possible, leaving the drain plug open and the taps in the mid position or as advised by your manufacturer.
- 4. Ensure water containers are empty and dry to prevent mould growth.
- 5. Check that the vents are not obstructed.
- 6. On caravans where there is a water filter, either fully remove it or make a note to replace before using your caravan next year. Frost and damp may damage the filter.
- 7. Ensure that the blown air system is turned off.
- 8. Even though the caravan is in storage it is important that the caravan is not overloaded and that the contents of the caravan are distributed properly.
- 9. Pull the curtains (to stop the sun from fading the upholstery). It is best to leave the blinds up as if left down for an extended period of time the spring in the cassette may stretch.
- 10. If possible disconnect the leisure battery and store the battery in a dry frost free place at home. Periodically charge it. Some alarm and tracker systems require your leisure battery to be in place others may have an internal battery (check which is the case for your system).
- 11. Do not put vermin bait, traps or poison inside your caravan, as this will only attract vermin into your van.
- 12. Clean all the cupboards (especially food storage areas) and remove all foods.
- 13. Empty and clean the fridge, leave the fridge door ajar but secured (there is often a 'built in' catch for this purpose).
- 14. Where possible remove bedding, linen, soft furnishings and clothes which may be affected should the caravan become damp.
- 15. Leave fixed beds in the open position to aid air circulation.
- 16. Oil/grease the locking components of the hitch locks and wheel clamps so they do not become seized during the storage period.
- 17. Protect towing electrics plugs from corrosion and dirt by spraying them with WD40.
- 18. Ensure all doors, windows and roof lights are correctly fastened. A smear of silicon grease on the window rubbers prevents them from sticking to the windows and damaging the seal.
- 19. Consider whether using a cover is needed. Remember that if a cover is used condensation and mould may form on the caravan.