

WHAT'S NEW THIS CAMPING SEASON 2018

PRO TIPS | Maintenance & Preventative Care | New Products

Hello Happier Campers!

With camping season right around the corner, we'd like to share a few tips and recommendations on how best to enjoy your HC1 this Spring and Summer seasons, along with Pro tips on some of your favorite [Adaptiv™](#) components.

MAINTENANCE & PREVENTATIVE CARE

A routine service inspection is recommended every 8,000 - 10,000 miles. Please visit your local dealership or service center for professional maintenance and service as needed. Tire pressure and tread, electronic brakes, and your camper's axle should all be inspected by a professional. The following are preventative steps you can take to prolong your camper's life:

- Inspect your camper for any worn down or flat tires, non-functioning lights, and/or loose bolts/nuts/screws.
- If you frequent icy or cold roads treated with salt, or have been caught in a storm, please make sure to hose down your entire frame to avoid rust.
- Black anti-rust spray to the frame, or exposed steel or weathered parts.
*Please cover fiberglass before spraying.
- Apply rust preventative spray to chains, hinges, and locks.
- Lubricate camper stabilizers with WD-40 or other metal-safe lubricants.
- Make sure your fan vent and windows are completely closed and locked.
- If you stored your camper for the winter and disconnected your AGM battery, please make sure to properly reconnect and allow sufficient time to charge.

HOW TO PROPERLY TOW YOUR HC1

Always ensure your keep stabilizers are up position before leaving and ensure emergency brake cable is attached -- not too tight or too loose.

PRO-TIPS

KITCHENETTE | PREP FOR USE

When preparing your kitchenette for use this camping season, we recommend flushing out the interior of your 5 gal water tank to flush out any sediments or buildup that may have settled during the winter months. When connecting garden hose to fill the tank, make sure it is not kinked and that the water is free-flowing. Always make sure your hose cap, located on the exterior of your camper, is unscrewed to allow water to drain out of the camper.

For HC1 owners that will travel through colder weather (ahem, Alaska, Canada and our NE Coasters), please make sure the 5 gal water tank, along with any connecting tubes, are empty of any liquid. Leaving liquid in sub-freezing weather can damage your plumbing tubes and crack your water tank. There are other ways to keep your tank from freezing over, such as a [Holding Tank Heater AC/DC blanket](#), and non-toxic antifreeze made specifically for RVs and travel trailers.

COOLING OPTIONS | RAIN TEST

Test your cooling units, such as your Dometic Brisk II or your MaxxAir Fan to make sure it's functioning properly. Perform a rain test to make sure the sealant installed with your camping units have not been affected during the winter months.

MAKE YOUR HC1 SHINE | GEL-COAT CARE

Your HC1's fiberglass is finished with Ashland® Maxguard Instint™ Gelcoat. Gelcoat is an in-mold coating used in fiber-reinforced plastics and cast polymers-- the same material used to make boats. Known for its durability, color performance and repairable quality, your trailer's gelcoat will look beautiful for a lifetime with just a little routine TLC!

Wash your gelcoat with all-purpose car wash soap, then dry using a soft microfiber cloth. After drying, protect it a coat of automobile wax, such as Meguiar's® Pure Brazilian Carnauba Wax.

Keep in mind, the gelcoat we use is a "live paint", and needs oils (wax) to stay beautiful and perform at its best.

Without regular waxing, the fiberglass and gelcoat can begin to oxidize, resulting in weaker strength, color fading, etc. Waxing the gelcoat keeps the natural oils trapped within the paint, which help reflect and protect from damaging UV rays and mineral deposits. Doing this will keep the pigment looking its brightest, and will prevent unsightly cosmetic cracks, or "crazing", from forming.

IMPORTANT: never use abrasive cleaning products (such as Ajax or Comet) on gelcoat. This will severely scratch and damage the surface.

TROUBLESHOOTING TIPS:

TESTING YOUR SOLAR/BATTERY

1. Camper should be plugged in to shoreline power once a month during winter storage, or battery disconnected. If not, your battery may be completely depleted.
2. Test battery: plug in overnight or at least five hours.
3. Place camper under direct sunlight. Make sure solar panel is clean and free of debris.
4. Check the [Solar Controller](#) and make sure it is set to AGM Battery and under Volts or Ah to measure power. What is it indicating? (INSERT PHOTO)
5. If the Solar Controller is on, but not picking up activity, your battery may be fully depleted. If the Solar Controller display is blank this may be another indication that your battery is fully depleted. See [L.E.D. Indication chart](#) for more info.

NEW PRODUCTS

Convertible Couch/Bunk Bed Kit
Luxury Queen Memory Foam Topper
Modular Cubes now in Marbled Gray
TV Mount

Modular Closet / Pantry with Fridge
Floor Panel with table leg access hole
32" Heavy Duty Access Ramp
In the works: Mosquito Screen for Side Door

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