

FOREST RIVER CAMPERS

LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY

FOLD DOWN CAMPER LIFTER SYSTEM

SUMMARY OF WARRANTY

Forest River, extends to the original retail purchaser (You) a limited warranty on its lifter system in Forest River recreational vehicles against defects in material or workmanship for the lifetime of the recreational vehicle.

COMPANY'S OBLIGATIONS

If the lifter system is determined to be defective during the warranty term, Forest River will remedy the defect without charge within a reasonable time after receipt of written notice, either by repair or replacement. Warranty service may be obtained from Forest River or its authorized dealers, or persons designated by Forest River. In the event you have a defective lifter system repaired by an unauthorized service person and said repairs are covered by this Warranty, Forest River shall be liable only for costs of those repairs up to the amount that Forest River would have incurred if Forest River or an authorized dealer had made the repairs.

Warranty performance will commence within a reasonable time after Forest River's receipt of written notice of the defect and will be completed within a reasonable time, subject to availability of parts and scheduling.

ITEMS EXCLUDED FROM WARRANTY

This warranty does not cover defects caused by:

1. Negligence in operation and maintenance.
2. Misuse of lifter system
3. Damage not resulting from defect or malfunction (act of God).
4. Any damage whatever is caused by or related to any alteration of a Forest River lifter system.
5. Claims relating to unauthorized repairs, damage or defects.

PURCHASER'S OBLIGATION

You shall give written notice to Forest River at the address set forth herein within a reasonable time after discovery of the defect. This written notice should contain the following information:

1. Your name and mailing address.
2. Proof of date of purchase.
3. Model, year and serial number of the unit.
4. Name and address of dealer from whom unit was purchased.
5. Description of the defect.

All costs incurred by you in transporting the Forest River lifter system for warranty service shall be borne by you. No action to enforce this Warranty shall be commenced later than three (3) months after the expiration of the warranty period.

DISCLAIMER OF CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES

REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT UNDER THIS WARRANTY IS YOUR EXCLUSIVE REMEDY. FOREST RIVER SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ANY DEFECT IN THE FOREST RIVER LIFTER SYSTEM. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

LIMITATION AND DISCLAIMER OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES

FOREST RIVER EXPRESSLY LIMITS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES TO THE WARRANTY PERIOD. FOREST RIVER EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS WITH RESPECT TO THE FOREST RIVER LIFTER SYSTEM ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AFTER EXPIRATION OF THE WARRANTY PERIOD. THERE IS NO WARRANTY OF ANY NATURE MADE BY FOREST RIVER BEYOND THAT CONTAINED IN THIS WARRANTY. NO PERSON HAS AUTHORITY TO ENLARGE, AMEND, OR MODIFY THIS WARRANTY.

SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY LASTS SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE.

PARTS AND DESIGN CHANGES

Forest River may make parts and design changes from time to time without notice and repairs or replacements may be made with new or different parts.

All inquiries regarding this Warranty should be sent to:

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Forest River Camping Trailers

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The following note is added as a requirement of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

If you believe that your vehicle has a defect which could cause a crash or could cause injury or death, you should immediately inform the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in addition to notifying Forest River Campers.

If NHTSA receives similar complaints, it may open an investigation, and if it finds that a safety defect exists in a group of vehicles, it may order a recall and remedy campaign. However, NHTSA cannot become involved in individual problems between you, your dealer, or Forest River Campers.

To contact NHTSA, you may either call the Auto Safety Hot-line toll-free at 1-800-424-9393 (or 366-0123 in Washington, D.C. area) or write to: NHTSA, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590. You can also obtain other information about motor vehicle safety from the Hot-line.



**A Symbol Which Means
BE ALERT!
YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED!**

MANUFACTURED BY:		DATE:	
REG. VEH. MFG. BY:		MFG. DATE:	
TYPE	SIZE	TYPE	SIZE
TYPE	SIZE	TYPE	SIZE
TYPE	SIZE	TYPE	SIZE
TYPE	SIZE	TYPE	SIZE
THIS VEHICLE CONFORMS TO ALL APPLICABLE U.S. FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS IN EFFECT IN:		TYPE	
V.I.N.		FD-222	

MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTIES

The following list of manufacturers has been compiled to help you know which products on your camping trailer may have their own warranties. If you have any of these components on your camping trailer, be sure to check the literature supplied by the manufacturer to see if they require that you register your purchase with them to validate their warranty. These warranties usually apply only to the first owner of the camping trailer. **FOREST RIVER** recommends that you send the various warranty registration cards immediately before any time constraints on registration expire. Manufacturer's literature is contained in a separate packet furnished with the owner's manual on newly delivered units. Only those products and options which are on your camper will be included in this packet. You should go over this literature with your dealer during the pre-delivery inspection. Any shortages of literature should be reported to the dealer at that time.

APPLIANCES

Range	Suburban
Refrigerator	Dometic

ELECTRICAL

110/12V Converter	Elixir
12V Water Pump	

WATER & DRAINAGE

Galley Pump	ShurFlo
Water Heater	Suburban
Toilet	Thetford


LP GAS

Regulator	Marshall Brass
Furnace	Suburban

MISCELLANEOUS

Axle	Al-Ko
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SAFETY

THE SAFETY ALERT SYMBOL  IS USED THROUGHOUT THIS MANUAL TO CALL ATTENTION TO WARNINGS WHERE VEHICLE DAMAGE OR POSSIBLE PERSONAL INJURY MAY BE INVOLVED.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

GENERAL INFORMATION

Periodic maintenance and cleaning of your camping trailer is necessary to retain the dependability, safety, and appearance that will provide you with many seasons of trouble-free operation, as well as protecting your investment.

Make sure to read and follow all the maintenance tips and schedules that appear not only in this manual, but also in the information provided by the various component manufacturers. Keep good records of maintenance functions performed, and make sure to perform all owner obligations as may be required by the various component manufacturers to keep their warranties in force.

Preventative maintenance will pay for itself many times over by catching or preventing problems before they occur. Many repair costs are greatly increased due to the fact a small problem can begin to affect other parts and systems of the camping trailer if left unattended.

If a situation arises involving a maintenance or cleaning activity for which you are not sure of the proper procedure, do not hesitate to contact your **FOREST RIVER** dealer.

It is our goal to keep you satisfied, and your camping trailer properly maintained. We want to know how you feel about your **FOREST RIVER** product, and any suggestions you may have are always welcome.

EXTERIOR

Fiberglass and Aluminum Siding - The care of fiberglass and aluminum siding is essentially the same as any automotive finish. Wash your camping trailer on a regular basis. Use warm water and a mild detergent to clean the finish. Take care to avoid spraying water directly into the furnace or refrigerator vents (if so equipped) when washing the camping trailer. Remove bird and tree sap droppings, insects, and tar as soon as possible to avoid staining of the finish.

NOTE: DO NOT use rubbing compound or any abrasive cleaner or cloth on the camping trailer. If using a tar and insect remover, make sure it is safe for use on painted surfaces.

It is important to note that any finish will deteriorate with time. Dulling and fading can be increased by exposure to extreme sunlight, air pollutants, and excessive moisture. Surface weathering of fiberglass does not change the strength of the fiberglass. Regular washing of exterior surfaces is the best insurance against surface deterioration such as fading, yellowing, or chalking.

If surface deterioration has occurred, check with your dealer for the steps required to restore the finish. Buffing or even painting may be necessary in extreme cases. Small cracks appearing in the fiberglass can be repaired by using a fiberglass filler. Allow the filler to harden, sand, and then repaint with gelcoat (check with your dealer for further instructions and product information).

Wash and wax fiberglass and aluminum surfaces at least three times a year with a standard liquid or paste wax. Make sure to follow the directions for use as outlined by the product manufacturer. Also clean and wax all metal extrusions when waxing camper sidewalls, to help avoid surface pitting. Make sure to wash and wax your

camper out of the hot sun when exterior surfaces are cool. Storage of the camping trailer out of direct sun is also a primary way to help preserve exterior finishes.

NOTE: *DO NOT use hand-held high pressure spray devices such as those at car washes which will damage the tape and painted surfaces on the camper. For heavily soiled spots, a VERY SOFT bristled brush can be used. Before using any cleaner or chemical on the camper, make sure to test a small area first. After washing, be sure to rinse the entire camper thoroughly to remove any soap residue that may remain, since it can stain the paint. Use towels or a chamois to dry the entire camper.*

Physical damage to fiberglass or aluminum should be taken care of immediately to avoid moisture from entering through breaks and causing problems with interior walls and components. Cover breaks in the sidewall with plastic, sealing the edges with tape until proper repairs can be made.

NOTE: *DO NOT use rubbing compound or any abrasive cleaner or cloth on the camper. If using a tar and insect remover, make sure it is safe for use on painted surfaces.*

Seals and Adhesives - It is important to maintain the seals and adhesives of your camping trailer to prevent moisture from entering and destroying camping trailer components. When washing your camping trailer, inspect the seals and body moldings for signs of drying out and wear. Be aware that weather, sun, and road vibration will have an effect on seals, causing them to dry, crack, or separate.

You should check the condition twice a year. Clean off all dirt, and check for cracks in the sealant around the vents and extrusions. Use a polyurethane sealant, or a marine type caulking to reseal.

NOTE: *It is very important to do this, to prevent moisture from entering the camper and causing rot, mold, and mildew. This is especially true for campers that are stored outside in the winter.*

If you are unsure what to look for, have your dealer instruct you, and also show you the correct method for renewing the seals. If you prefer, ask your dealer to perform seal maintenance for you.

⚠ WARNING: *Failure to maintain camping trailer seals through regular maintenance can lead to severe damage of camping trailer components, and may be considered abusive treatment under the terms of your camping trailer warranty.*

TENT MAINTENANCE

Tent Material - Tent materials have different characteristics than canvas. To provide you with many years of usage it is important to seal all stitched areas to prevent water damage.

1. Set up the camper as you would when camping. Make sure all windows are zipped closed, and the storm door window is closed and secure.
2. Remove all cushions and drapes and store them in a dry place.
3. Saturate all seams with water and go inside trailer to check all seams for leaks.
4. Allow the tent to dry completely, or wipe seams dry with a smooth white cloth before sealing.

5. Seal all seams with a wax candle or a special recommended seam sealer called: plasti-seam.
6. After you have sealed all stitching with one of the recommended products, be sure to replace all cushions and drapes which were stored in a dry area.

Care of Your Vinyl Tent - Some tents have the fabric coated with vinyl to make it easier to clean the exterior. Vinyl coated fabric cannot breathe; therefore, you'll notice that, at times, condensation will form on the fabric side and the tent would appear to be leaking. This condensation can be corrected by opening the zippered windows slightly to ventilate the interior of your camper.

Condensation - Forest River recreational vehicles are built according to government standards regulating the industry and according to RVIA standards, which are even higher than the government standards. Recreational vehicles can be used for extended periods of time in different conditions when coupled with consumer consideration for interior condensation or moisture. Listed are a few of these considerations for an example:

1. Use roof vent when cooking and/or crack kitchen vinyl window.
2. Use power vent when bathing or showering, and also as an attic fan.
3. Never use humidifier. Vaporizer use should be minimal, or not at all.
4. Turn on air conditioner for a few minutes in morning and evening after cooking, bathing, etc.

Condensation is a natural occurrence the amount of which will vary with the climatic condition, in particular the relative humidity. Condensation occurs because of water vapor present in the air to which each of us adds by our breathing, bathing, cooking, etc. The water vapor collects when there is available air space, and when the temperature reaches the "dew point" the water vapor in the air condenses to become liquid. Most people have experienced the phenomenon when moisture condenses on kitchen windows, bath mirrors, and etc. during cooling weather.

Proper ventilation in your unit assists controlling the condensation. Condensation causes dampness, mildew, staining and if unchecked at high levels may cause damage to paneling, ceiling, or personal belongings.

As condensation is not a result of a defect, damage from condensation remains the responsibility of the owner/user.

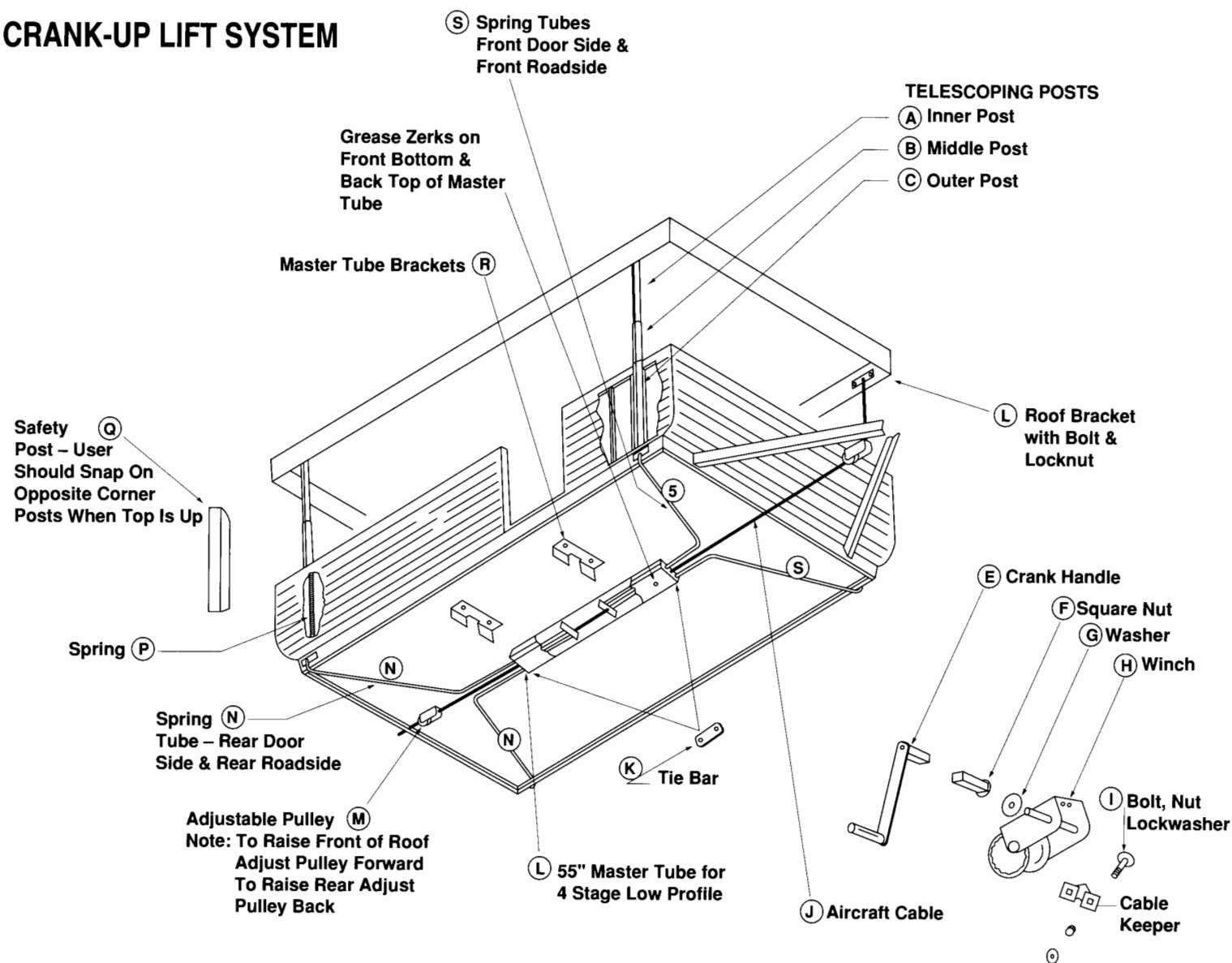
ALWAYS VENTILATE AND DRY TENT, with bows and braces in place, **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** after each exposure to moisture. **MILDEW is always a result of negligence.**

TO CLEAN THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR VINYL TENT use automotive vinyl cleaner.

DO NOT USE SOLVENTS AND DETERGENTS to clean your vinyl tent; it will cause damage to the finish.

CALL YOUR DEALER IF YOU HAVE OTHER CLEANING PROBLEMS.

CRANK-UP LIFT SYSTEM



PERIODIC MAINTENANCE CHART

ITEM	Each Trip	Each Month	3 Mo.	6 Mo.	Yearly	* As Req.	PROCEDURE
Fiberglass Exterior		X			X X		Wash with warm water & mild detergent Wax with liquid or paste wax Check condition of body moldings & reseal as needed
Tent Material	X					X X	Clean, rinse thoroughly with water, & allow to dry Remove stains from vinyl with auto vinyl top cleaner Seal leaks in tent vinyl as required
Roof & Roof Components				X	X		Inspect & reseal as needed Lubricate roof vent mechanism w/light oil and clean completely
Windows & Doors			X		X	X	Clean tent windows w/plastic polish used for auto convertible top windows Lubricate door hinges & step components with WD40 Lubricate door locks & strike pocket, incl. exterior storage & access doors
Seals & Adhesives		X					Inspect and reseal as necessary
LP Gas System						X	Check for leaks & road damage
Water & Drainage				X	X	X	Check hoses, fittings, and connections for leaks and signs of wear Sanitize system (Also check fresh water tank inlet line screen) Winterize system if needed, depending on local seasonal conditions
Electrical						X X	Perform maintenance procedures on converter as outlined in converter manual Check & service battery (if so equipped)
Appliances	X	X					Remove food and ice from icebox or refrigerator after each trip Check for obstructions & dirt accumulations on exterior appliance vents
Safety Equipment		X					Check fire extinguisher pressure and condition
Wood Surfaces		X					Clean pre-finished panels & wood
Weight & Distribution	X						Make sure unit is within specified load limits & that weight distribution is proper
Lifter System				X			Lubricate
Bunks						X	Lubricate bunk slides with silicone
Axles				X			Mounting bolts should be torqued to specific foot pounds
Wheel Bearings				X		X	Repack wheel bearings
Brakes			X			X	Check operation and (or uneven wear)

* As conditions and use warrant (follow instructions outlined in this manual)

operating habits and practices. A few minutes of time spent before a trip can help prevent accidents during a trip.

Throughout this manual, you will find both notes and warnings. Notes are to highlight information that will make owning and using your camper easier and more enjoyable, while warnings are given to help prevent you from making a mistake which could cause vehicle damage or possibly personal injury. Pay close attention to both notes and warnings as you read this manual. Although various warnings and safety precautions are mentioned in detail throughout this manual, **FOREST RIVER** feels that it would be helpful to list several of them here, before reading the rest of this manual, to emphasize their importance.

The following recommendations for safe and efficient operation are presented for the purpose of helping you reduce the possibility of personal injury. You as the owner of this camping trailer are urged to read these recommendations carefully. However it is impossible to foresee and describe all such conditions, and it must remain the responsibility of you the owner to anticipate and avoid any unsafe conditions not described below and elsewhere in this manual.

- Think safety. Follow a definite plan for inspection and safe use. Correct unsafe conditions immediately. Always put safety first.
- Never tamper with safety devices.
- Always keep your fire extinguisher on hand and know how to use it. Check regularly to be sure it is in working order.
- LP connections should be checked regularly, and the system should be checked annually by qualified personnel.
- Never overload or improperly load the camping trailer.
- When traveling, make sure all items stored inside and outside the camper are secure, and all doors and drawers are secure.
- Be a good housekeeper... keep surfaces clean and free of hazards. Use only non-flammable solutions for cleaning.
- Plan ahead on what to do in case of fire, have periodic fire drills with your family.
- Check your tires often for condition and proper inflation. Also check the tightness of the lug bolts.
- Guard against contaminated water. Sanitize your system periodically.
- Read and follow all precautions and notes given on labels throughout your camper. Labels that are lost or stolen should be replaced.
- Always be aware of electrical hazards and misuse.
- Always keep a first-aid kit in your camper.
- Make sure to observe all safe rules of driving associated with towing a trailer.
- Read your owner's manual thoroughly!

RULES FOR TRAILER TOWING

- If this is your first experience with towing a trailer, make sure to drive slowly and cautiously while you learn the handling characteristics of your trailer and tow vehicle combination. Also, never allow anyone else who is inexperienced at trailer towing to drive without your direct supervision.
- Always drive within the posted speed limit. Use a moderate speed if driving in traffic or in gusty wind conditions. As your speed increases, your ability to control the trailer/tow vehicle combination is greatly reduced.
- Check bridge load limits; making sure they will support weight of tow vehicle & trailer. Be sure there is clearance for tail swing.

- Never back up until you're sure everyone is clear. If needed, have someone help guide. Make sure this person is always in view and is at a safe distance from the camper.
- Always allow yourself some extra distance to pass or stop. It is recommended to keep at least twice your normal stopping distance when towing a trailer, because of the increased weight and length.
- Help to maintain trailer stability by reducing speed when driving downhill, in windy conditions or when cornering. Frequent braking also reduces stability. The weight of the trailer puts additional load on brakes, and can cause them to overheat or fade. Use tow vehicle transmission to help control speed and braking action of trailer and tow vehicle (check tow vehicle manual).

SAFETY REGULATIONS FOR LP GAS SYSTEMS AND APPLIANCES

The following warnings are posted throughout your camping trailer to provide information on LP gas safety. They have been installed not only because of the requirement to do so, but also as a constant reminder to users of the camper to exercise proper caution when using or being around LP gas appliances and equipment. We are listing them here so that you may study them and make sure that you and your family understand and follow them.

1. **⚠ WARNING: LP GAS CONTAINERS SHALL NOT BE PLACED OR STORED INSIDE THE VEHICLE. LP GAS CONTAINERS ARE EQUIPPED WITH SAFETY DEVICES WHICH RELIEVE EXCESSIVE PRESSURE BY DISCHARGING GAS TO THE ATMOSPHERE.**
2. **⚠ WARNING: IT IS NOT SAFE TO USE COOKING APPLIANCES FOR COMFORT HEATING. COOKING APPLIANCES NEED FRESH AIR FOR SAFE OPERATION:**
 1. **OPEN OVERHEAD VENT OR TURN ON EXHAUST FAN, AND. . .**
 2. **OPEN WINDOW**

This warning label has been located in the cooking area to remind you to provide an adequate supply of fresh air for combustion. Unlike homes, the amount of oxygen supply is limited due to the size of the recreational vehicle, and proper ventilation when using the cooking appliance(s) will avoid dangers of asphyxiation. It is especially important that cooking appliances not be used for comfort heating as **THE DANGER OF ASPHYXIAION IS GREATER WHEN THE APPLIANCE IS USED FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME.**

3. **⚠ WARNING: DO NOT STORE LP GAS CONTAINERS, GASOLINE, OR OTHER FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS INSIDE THE VEHICLE BECAUSE A FIRE OR EXPLOSION MAY RESULT.**
4. A warning label has been located near the LP gas container. This label reads: **DO NOT FILL CONTAINER(S) TO MORE THAN 80 PERCENT OF CAPACITY.**

Overfilling the LP gas container can result in uncontrolled gas flow which can cause fire or explosion. A properly filled container will contain approximately 80 percent of its volume as liquid LP gas.

An 80 percent automatic shut-off has been installed on the LP gas tank which will automatically prevent further filling when the gas volume has reached 80 percent of tank capacity.

5. The following label has been placed in the vehicle near the range area:

IF YOU SMELL GAS

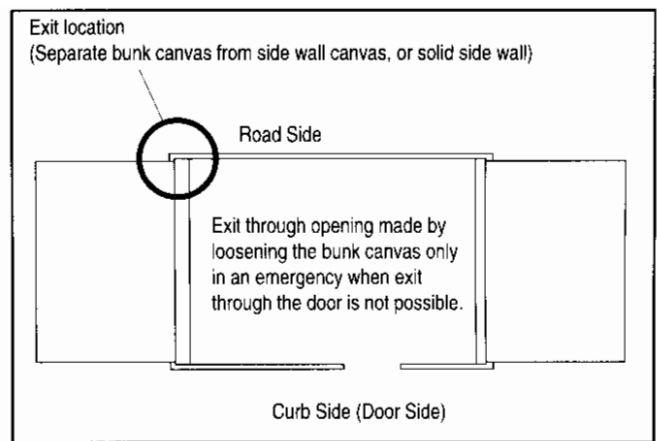
- Extinguish any open flames, pilot lights and all smoking materials.
 - **DO NOT** touch any electrical switches.
 - Shut off the gas supply at the tank valve(s) or gas supply connection.
 - Open doors and other ventilating openings.
 - Leave the area until the odor clears.
 - Have the system checked and leakage source corrected before using again.
6. LP gas regulators must always be installed with the diaphragm vent facing downward. Regulators that are not in compartments have been equipped with a protective cover. Make sure that regulator vent faces downward and the cover is kept in place to minimize vent blockage which could result in excessive gas pressure causing fire or explosion.
 7. **⚠ WARNING:** *Portable fuel burning equipment including wood or charcoal burning grills and stoves shall not be used inside the vehicle because they may cause fire or asphyxiation.*

NOTE: FOREST RIVER is not responsible for any damage to property or personal injury that results from an improperly maintained LP system or appliance.

FIRE SAFETY

Fire safety is an important part of owning a camping trailer. The following basic rules of fire prevention can help eliminate the possibility of a fire.

1. Never store flammable liquids in the camper.
2. Never leave cooking food unattended.
3. Never smoke in bed, and always use an ashtray.
4. Never allow children to play with LP gas or electrical equipment.
5. Never use an open flame as a flashlight.
6. Always repair faulty or damaged wiring and electrical components.
7. Never overload the electrical circuit.
8. Locate and repair LP leaks immediately.
9. Keep cooking surfaces clean.
10. Don't allow rubbish accumulation.
11. Never clean with flammable liquids.
12. Spray fabrics annually with flame retardant.
13. Make sure curtains near the range are held back with the elastic curtain straps provided in the curtain packets when the range is lit.



Camper Emergency Exit Location

If a fire does start, make sure to follow basic rules of safety:

1. Have everyone evacuate the camper as quickly as possible.
2. After everyone is clear, check the fire to see if you can attempt to put it out. If it is large, or the fire is fuel-fed, get clear of the camper, and have the fire department handle the emergency.
3. **DO NOT** attempt to use water to put out the fire. Water can spread some types of fire, and electrocution is possible with an electrical fire.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER

If you determine that you can attempt to control the fire using the fire extinguisher, make sure you know how to use it. Read the label on the fire extinguisher, and study the information outlined here to become familiar with safe operation and maintenance of extinguisher.

The fire extinguisher provided with the camper is a chemical type suitable for extinguishing small fires of the class B or C type.

Underwriter Laboratories classify fires into three types:

- Class A - Fires in wood, paper, fabric, rubber, & certain plastics.
- Class B - Flammable liquids such as grease, cooking oils, gasoline, or kerosene.
- Class C - Electrical fires started from live electrical wires from short circuited motors or switches.

Extinguishers are designed to put out a fire in the initial stage, not when it is blazing out of control. If a fire cannot be approached within ten feet, it is probably too late to do any good.

To fight a fire with an extinguisher, first remove the tamper tape which covers the discharge push button. The extinguisher does not need shaking. Hold it upright and stand six to ten feet from the fire with a clear path to an exit. Press the button down all the way, aimed at the base of the fire and spray with quick motions from side to side.

Avoid inhaling the dry chemicals. Although non-toxic, they could cause temporary irritation and vomiting. When the fire is out, clean up area as soon as possible. The dry chemicals are non-corrosive, but some residue may cause surface damage if left too long.

In the case of an electrical fire, disconnect the electrical supply on the outside of the camper.

