



Caring for Your New Purchase

Protect Your Finish

- Avoid parking under trees to prevent sap droppings.
- Ice or snow should not be scraped or brushed from the painted surface.
- Bugs and bird droppings should be rinsed off with water.
- Anti-freeze, fuel or window solvents should be rinsed off immediately if spilled on the painted surface.
- Frequently wash your RV using the provided instructions.

The finish on your RV is the Autobase Plus[®] system by AkzoNobel Coatings. It is a state-of-the-art Basecoat-Clearcoat system designed to provide many years of beauty and protection. This means a clear coating is applied on top of the basecoat– the pigmented coating that provides color. The Clearcoat protects the paint from the harsh elements.

Washing Your RV

Following these simple steps will help ensure a long-lasting gloss finish to your RV.

- Make sure the RV's surface temperature is not hot to the touch and not in direct sunlight.
- Use a mild soap carried by most auto care stores.
- Do not use combination wash & wax products as the waxes can build up over time.
- Use two sponges or wash mitts– one for the wheels and undercarriage and one for the painted finish.
- Do not use brushes with plastic bristles on the painted surface. They are acceptable for use on tires and wheel wells.
- Wash the wheels and wheel wells first to prevent splattering on already washed panels.
- Wet the entire area to be washed to remove loose dirt and grime, then hand wash one area at a time. Wash from the top down, rinsing frequently. Follow with a final rinse of water.
- Do not use pressure washers up close to the painted finish.

Drying Your RV

- Use either a damp natural or synthetic chamois or lint-free micro-fiber towels to help prevent water stains on the finish.





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Questions & Answers

Q– How often should I wash my RV?

A– Set up a regular washing schedule. At a minimum, wash your RV before and after each trip.

Q– I have a deep chip or scratch in my paint. What do I do?

A– Deep chips or scratches can compromise the corrosion protection of the paint. Contact your dealer to get the repair done as soon as possible.

Q– How do I remove stains from my paint?

A– Stubborn stains can be removed using an ammonia-based glass cleaner or a small amount of rubbing alcohol on a damp cloth, followed with warm soapy water and rinsed with clean water.

Keep Your Investment Looking Great

Waxes and Polishes

Over time, the clearcoat may appear to fade or lose gloss as the surface is exposed to the environment. Washing alone may not adequately remove some forms of contamination. To bring back the gloss, polishing may be required. Most polishes and waxes are designed to clean and polish in one application.

Polishes and waxes primarily serve the following purposes:

- To remove minor surface imperfections caused by water spots and acid rain.
- To fill in minor scratches and leveling the surface.
- To give the paint finish appearance more depth and gloss.
- To help protect the paint finish from the elements.

Applying Polish or Wax

Whether applying polish or wax by machine or hand, be sure to follow the wax or polish manufacturer's instructions.

- Apply polish or wax in a shaded area.
- Condition the polishing pad by rubbing a small amount of wax or polish on it.
- Only use the amount specified in the instructions.
- Work small areas at a time.
- Remove dried wax or polish from crevices, trim and molding.

For best results, refrain from waxing or polishing your RV for 60 days from the date of manufacture.

