

Winterizing 2017 Units with Lithium Ion Batteries and Truma Water Heater.

Water System

- 1) Drain the fresh water tank by opening the drain tap on the fresh water tank.

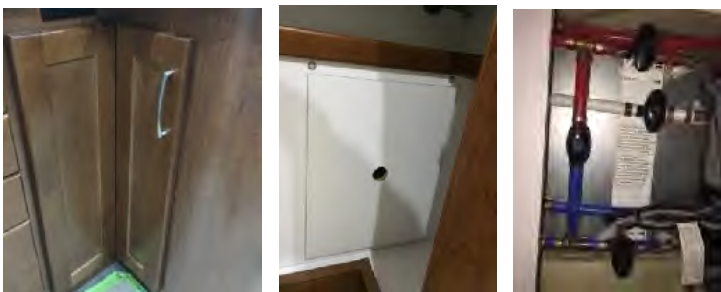


- 2) Drain and flush the black and grey holding tanks.

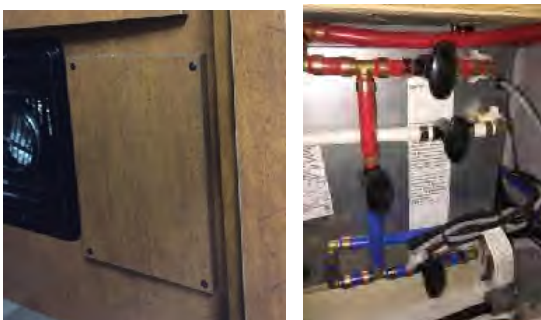


- 3) Open the interior access door or panel or remove the bed cushion (XLTD) to access the back of the Truma water heater and the bypass valves.

Plateau XL Murphy Bed (lower kitchen L shaped cabinet)



Ascent, Lexor and Plateau FL or TS (unscrew access panel)



Plateau XLTD (remove cushion driver side)

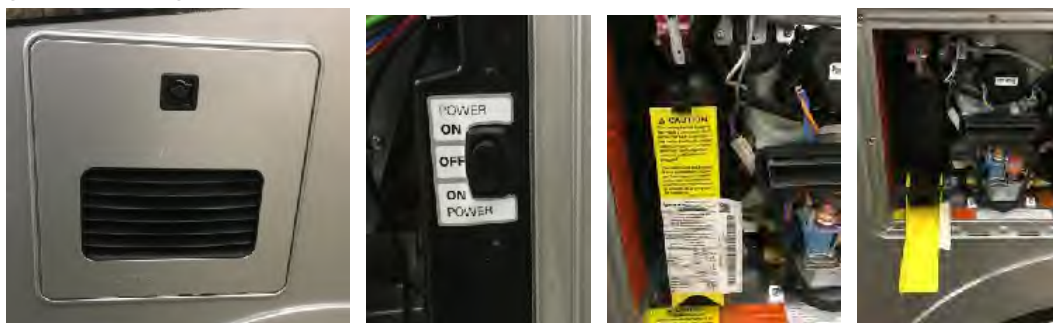


- 4) Turn the by-pass valves on the top red line, bottom blue line and the white center line to the closed position. (The handle is closed when the handle is turned 90 degrees to the water line.)**

Open the valve that is on the blue line coming up from the bottom and the red line coming down from the top.



- 5) Open the exterior door to the Truma water heater. Turn the electrical switch to the off position. Open the water heater drain by lifting the black latch on the top of the yellow easy drain lever. Lower the drain lever until the water filter opens.**



- 6) With the filter removed inspect and clean the water filter. Inspect the o rings on the filter as found on page 16 of the Truma water heater manual. Insert the filter and close the water heater drain.



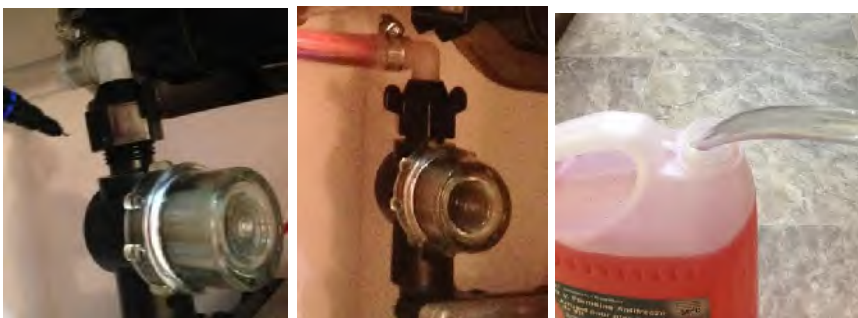
- It is recommended to follow the Truma recommendations for decalcification of the water heater. These instructions can be found on page 17-21 of the Truma water heater manual.

- 7) Remove the water line from the inlet side of the water pump (this is the clear plastic line going into the water pump filter). Connect a siphon hose to the inlet side of the water pump and place the other end in a container of RV non-toxic antifreeze. Turn on the pump. This will pump non-toxic RV antifreeze through all of your fresh water lines.

The *Water Pump* location on all 2017 models is behind one of the lower kitchen cabinet doors.

NOTE: Siphon hose consists of 40" of ½" clear tubing with a fitting to attach to the water pump.

The fitting can be purchased through an RV dealer.



- 8) Open the kitchen faucet, exterior shower faucet and bathroom faucet one at a time allowing the antifreeze to flow through both the hot and the cold sides. Open the toilet valve and allow antifreeze to flow into the toilet bowl. Turn off the water pump and disconnect the siphon hose, reattach the original fresh water supply fitting.
- 9) Pour ½ cup of RV antifreeze down each drain (kitchen sink, bathroom sink and shower drain).
- 10) Open one low point drain valve on the white water line for water heater recirculation.

Locations of Low Point Drain Valves



Lexor – Behind the passenger running board, just in front of the rear tire .

Plateau TS & FL – Behind the passenger running board, even with the back of the sliding door.

Ascent – Behind the driver side running board mid body.

Plateau XL MB – Driver side of center behind the rear bumper.

Plateau XLTD - Above the floor behind the water heater .

Optional winterizing for milder climates

Follow steps above #1-6

- 7) Open all three low point drain valves in the locations listed above.
- 8) Connect a blowout valve to the city water inlet. Connect an air source.
- 9) Open each tap (bathroom, kitchen exterior shower and toilet), both hot and cold. Allow the air to blow the water out of the taps and valves. Fully drain the system. Leave all taps and valves in an open position.
- 10) Pour ½ cup of antifreeze down each drain.

Electrical

- 1) Fully charge your engine starting and coach batteries.
- 2) Turn off the charge line red key disconnect switch.



Lexor, Plateau TS & FL, Ascent - Through the driver rear door, under the rear sofa , above the battery box.

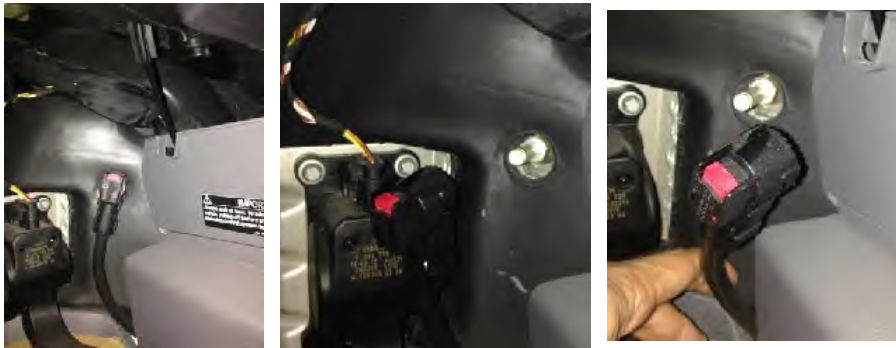
Plateau XL MB – Behind the power sofa, next to the front arm rest.

Plateau XLTD - Below the passenger side bed cushion, next to the battery box.

3) Turn off the battery disconnect on the entrance end panel.



4) On the Mercedes Sprinter chassis you can disconnect the engine starting battery by removing the battery cable from the post next to the accelerator pedal.



- It is recommended that you start your vehicle and run your vehicle for a short period of time each month.
- It is recommended that you start and run your generator under load for at least ½ hour per month.
- It is recommended that the fridge door be left in a slight open position to allow air to circulate through the fridge cabinet during a storage period.
- It is recommended that the vehicle be driven or moved forward or backward if possible to avoid flat spotting of the vehicle tires.