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TIP #29

Antifreeze or.....?

A number of people have asked if there is an alternative to putting RV antifreeze through your vehicle to winterize your vehicle. The answer is yes, you can blow out the system, however the best method to ensure your vehicle is fully winterized is the antifreeze method. You still will have to pour ½ cup of antifreeze down each drain to fill you P-trap (do not forget the shower drain).



- 1) Drain the fresh water tank through the drain spigot, located on the fresh water tank under the vehicle. (refer to your owner's manual)
- 2) Open the low point drain valves located above the fresh water drain spigot on the fresh water tank or in some cases above the sewer dump connection.
- 3) Open all hot and cold water taps, (Including kitchen, bathroom, exterior shower, and toilet flush valve). Leave these in an open position for winter.
- 4) Drain black and grey water tanks, using the T handles located on the driver side next to your sewer hose connection. This should be done at an RV dump station.
- 5) Drain the water heater by removing the 1 1/16" nut/ anode rod. Turn the water heater valves to bypass mode. (upper and lower valves closed and center valve open)
- 6) Blow compressed air through the water lines using the city water connection. Only use pressure up to 40 PSI so that it will not damage your toilet valve or tap valves.



Fittings for blowing out the water lines can be purchased at your local RV store or at a local hardware supply store such as Home Depot. The fittings can be metal or plastic.

****This is an alternative to running non-toxic antifreeze through the system. Pleasure-Way Industries cannot be held responsible for failure to ensure all water is out of the plumbing system.****

- 7) Pour ½ cup of non-toxic RV antifreeze down each sink and shower drain.