Yearly and Trip Checklist

You've invested in a winning combination with your new Ice Castle Fish House with a GS Trailer Frame.

Protect your investment by using this Inspection Checklist when preparing for your next trip, order replacement parts as needed.

Hitch

- Ensure the hitch coupler is free and clean of debris.
- Check latch operation making sure the latch secures in place.

Safety Chains

- Check for thinning of the chains due to dragging on the ground.
- Inspect hooks for any damage.

Winch Cables

- Inspect for frayed winch cables in any of the 3 locations.
- Make sure winches are secured to the trailer.

Clevis Pins

- Inspect the leaf spring pins and clips, they must be in good condition, not bent or worn out.
- Inspect the front pin for the front hitch, it should be straight and undamaged.

Tires

- Check tire pressure using tire manufacturers specifications.
- Inspect for missing lug nuts.
- Tighten lug nuts as needed.

Typical Lug Nut Torque Specifications: Aluminum 6 bolt rims is 90-120 ft. lbs. Aluminum 8 bolt rims is 120-140 ft lbs.

Axle Pivot System

- Inspect the wheel pivot system making sure it rotates up and down as designed.
- Ensure all pulleys and pins are in place and rotate freely.

Spending some time now doing preventative maintenance can keep your fish house like new for many years.

Suggestive Storage and After Trip Tips

Due to the excessive corrosiveness of todays' road salt and chemicals we recommend washing your trailer after each trip. Spray off the axle pivot system and front hitch area. Wash out the wheel wells with plenty of water to keep contaminants out.

After a wash and at the end of the season it is recommended that a light spray of WD-40 Specialist Long Term Corrosion Inhibitor or similar protectant be sprayed on the winches, pins, pulleys, cables, coupler and other metal parts. Refer to fish house manufacturers suggestions for house maintenance.

Today's road salts and chemicals are more corrosive than they have ever been. Scratches, nicks and chips can affect the coating on your trailer frame. Some touch up may be necessary. We recommend Dupli-Color Truck Bed Coating.

When storing or parking your fish house on an unpaved surface we suggest placing a rubber mat or piece of plywood under the tires, this will keep chemicals from the ground from damaging the tires.

If you will be placing your fish house on the ground in the summer we recommend placing it on pieces of 4 x 4 wood. This will allow for air movement under the fish house which will help keep greenhouse gasses from collecting and rotting your investment. It will also keep moisture from collecting and causing damage to the flooring system.



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