

Hello and Thank You

Welcome to our 2019 Forest River Salem 29QBLE

Here are some helpful tips for setting up the RV and some general knowledge about our beautiful travel trailer.

Hitching

When Hitching the trailer make sure that the tow vehicle and trailer are straight. Once the ball is over top of the hitch lower the trailer so that it just starts to add weight to the hitch.(you should see the tow vehicle start to squat) now your ready to add the weight distribution bars. Count 6 chain links and set the bar (this was explained at time of pick up) once both sides are done then complete the hitch by raising the landing gear, hooking up safety chains, hooking the break away cable, and attaching the plug. Don't forget to lock the pin for the ball. Always lock the door when traveling.

Towing

When towing the trailer always be mindful of the size and length of the trailer and tow vehicle. Take wide turns and watch for low branches. Try and find pull through parking so that you will not need to back up. Use extended mirrors to help see behind the trailer when traveling. The sway control bar only helps with the sway of the trailer in windy or highway conditions. The sway control does not prevent accidents. Always use caution on highways. I found that it is very comfortable at 60 - 65mph.

Electrical

While towing the trailer the battery switch should be in the on position. This allows the fridge and some lights to work. As long as the tow vehicle is running and hooked up, the battery will charge itself and allow you to use basic functions. Functions that do not work on battery power are: AC, Water Heater, Microwave.

Once plugged in to power, turn the battery switch to the off position. This insures that the battery is not being used and prolongs the life of the battery and systems inside the trailer. The trailer can be run on many different amps (120v/20A , 30A, 50A). a list of functions that work for each power supply are listed below:

1. 120v/20a – this will run the AC but it will not run the Microwave or the water heater all at the same time. If plugged in to 120v/20a service your power is limited and you should be watching how many things are turned on at a given time.
2. 30a/50a – this gives you full functions on all levels at all times. This is the best power source to use as you will not need to worry about keeping things off or overloading the services.

The Trailer does come with all the adapters for the power supply options listed above(shown at time of pick up)

Water / Water Heater

This trailer does come with a water filter. To attach water lines start at the trailer by connecting the 90 degree brass fitting to the trailer. (shown at pick up) then attach the water line. The filter has a in and out marked at the top of the filter. Make sure that the out is connected to the trailer. The in is the line that comes from the water source. It should look like this: hose, filter, hose, 90 degree, Trailer.

The water heater is powered by two sources, Gas and Electric. (shown at pick up) when traveling the water heater should always be turned off. Using electric is the easiest way to heat water.

Sewer Line

There is about 60 feet of hose for the tanks along with a hose guide. (shown at Pickup) determine the length needed and attach hoses together. There are 90 degree fittings that screw in to the pipe that is at the RV site. Spread out the guide and lay hose in to create an even flow from the RV to the Pipe. For best results keep the valve on the gray tank closed so that the smell from the sewer doesn't come up through the shower. The Black tank can be left open during your stay. Always check the levels of each tank on the main control board by the entry door. To clean the hose after dumping the Black tank, use the gray water tank to help flush the hoses. This will help keep things clean.

Cable

Some RV campgrounds have cable TV. There is a 50 foot cable for this option. (shown at pickup) once connected the TV will need to be programmed. (shown at pick up)

Antenna

This RV is also set up for Antenna TV. To use this find the cable jack located below the TV and above the radio. Press the black button and a green light will come on. Using the turn dial on the ceiling turn to the best location. To find the best location there is a website that allows you to enter the zip code and gives you the location of all the towers within a 100 mile range. The website is : antennasdirect.com use the compass on your phone or general direction and point arrow in that direction. Then program the TV.

Propane / Stove (shown at Pick up)

There are two tanks located by the hitch in the front of the RV. There is no selector valve, the RV pulls on both tanks equally. To turn on the tanks just open the valves on each tank.

The stove only uses propane. Turn the burner to lite then turn the ignite knob to lite the burners. When using the stove make sure the fan is on. Outside of the RV is the vent cover. There is a small plastic flat that needs to be opened before you use the stove. When finished with the stove, turn off fan and close the flap outside. This will help keep the cold air inside the RV during summer months.

Water Tank (shown at pick up)

This RV does have a water storage tank. This tank is filled by a hose on the right side of the trailer. There is a cap between the two speakers. This is a gravity fill hose for the water tank. Unscrew cap and fill. The tank is not big. You will run out of water if you are not watching it. The best way to use this system on the trailer is just using the bathroom toilet.

Cleaning (Shown at Pick up)

Located under each sink in the RV are a few cleaners and disinfectants. Along with cleaners there is also dish soap for dishes.

Located in the rear closet of the bunk room, there are mops, brooms, and a sweeper.

Sound System (shown at Pick up)

Located in the main salon below the TV is the Radio system. This system has two zones one for inside and one for outside. There is also hook ups for USB and HDMI.

Bathroom Vent (shown at Pick up)

In the ceiling of the bathroom, there is a small fan. To operate fan first using the crank handle open the top cover, then press the black button next to the fan. Always keep this closed when not in use. This vent cannot be used when raining.

TV's (shown at Pick up)

When traveling make sure TV's are properly positioned. When extending the slide make sure that the TV is moved out of the way.

Fridge (shown at Pick up)

When Traveling use the door holder bolt to keep the doors from opening. Some times this will happen when taking a turn to fast. Also keep in mind when traveling, pack the fridge to limit movement inside the Fridge and always secure it with the door bolt.

Set Up

1. Leveling

Before you start make sure the trailer is level. At first this will be done by using the leveling blocks (shown at pick up) and placing them under the tires. This will level the trailer width ways. Once the trailer is level width ways install the tire wheel chocks. (shown at pick up) this will allow you to uncouple the tow vehicle and the trailer and insures that the trailer will not move. Use the main landing gear to find the level point on the long axis. Nose to tail. Once found unscrew the lock bars and lower the jack stands. Do not use the jack stands to raise and lower the trailer. Once you have a snug fit tighten the supports so that it will not move. Repeat these steps on all for corners of the trailer.

2. Services

Now you are ready to hook up the power, water, and sewer lines. Power needs to be hooked up to run slide.

3. Stairs

Open the door and use the yellow handle to unlock the stairs from the trailer. Next bring the stairs all the way down an set the pins in the legs to insure that the stairs are firm and sturdy. (shown at pick up)

4. Slide

Check around the outside of the RV and make sure there is enough room for the Slide. Also check inside the RV and make sure there is nothing on the inside that may prevent the slide from moving. The main item to look for is the TV and the pantry door. On the main control panel there is a toggle switch labeled "Slide". Press the "Out" until the slide is all the way out. You should hear a clicking sound. **Do not step on carpet when slide is in.** this could damage the slide out resulting in damage to floor and possibly the entire RV.

5. Enjoy your stay!

6. To tear down follow steps in revers order

Slide – Stairs – Services – leveling