

Service Tips from the Experts

Use and Maintenance of Slideout Locks

Recent Winnebago Industries Inc. motor homes may be equipped with an electric slideout travel lock. Since these locks protrude through the roof of the room, it is possible for them to collect water and debris. Each lock has a drain tube that extends to the sidewall of the room to get rid of any dirt and water it collects. These drain tubes need regular inspection and cleaning to prevent water backing up and creating a leak into the slideout ceiling. The following is from our current operator's manual as pertains to these travel locks and drains.



Slideout Room Travel Locks – Electric

Slideout Room Travel Locks (your model may be equipped with one or more types) – Typical View

Some models are equipped with electric Slideout Room Travel Locks on slideout rooms to restrict movement of the slideout room while the vehicle is in motion. The slideout room will not extend until the lock is fully released.

Slideout Room Travel Lock switches are located on a wall in an area near the slideout room or incorporated into the monitor panel, depending on model.

NOTE: Release Slideout Lock before attempting to extend slideout room. The room will not extend until the lock is fully released. Fasten Slideout Lock before driving vehicle. See following instructions. Be sure locks are fully released before attempting to extend or retract room. If the latch mechanisms are protruding more than 1/4-inch, the room will not extend or retract and the slideout hydraulic pump will run in idle/bypass mode.

To Release:

Press and hold the UNLOCK side of the Slideout Room Travel Lock switch for approximately seven seconds. (You may be able to hear the lock motor sound stop).

To Lock:

Press and hold the LOCK side of the Slideout Travel Lock switch for approximately seven seconds. (You may be able to hear the lock motor sound stop).

Slideout Lock Drain Line

If your coach is equipped with electric Slideout Room Travel Locks, it is recommended to periodically inspect



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NOTE: Depending on the length of your slideout room, there may be two Slideout Room Travel Locks. Therefore, two drain lines will need to be inspected (typically one located on each of end of the slideout room).

It is possible for dirt and debris to collect inside the drain line and cause obstruction, not allowing water to drain properly. If the drain line is plugged, use a small tool (i.e. pipe cleaner) to dislodge any debris. Failure to comply may result in water backing up inside the drain line, resulting in water leaks and/or property damage.