

RV Planning Worksheet

1. Will you be towing something with the RV? Yes No

If you plan to tow a boat, a car, a snowmobile, a dune buggy, etc., towing a travel trailer or fifth-wheel won't be practical.

2. Number of people using the RV? _____

Regular basis: ____Adults ____Children

Occasionally: ____Adults ____Children

If your children are very young, the answer to the "children" side of the question should be straightforward. If you have teens, however, the question arises regarding how often or, more importantly, how long will they be interested in RV trips? Try to be realistic and not allow "how you would like things to be" overcome your knowledge of "how things are." If you have any doubts, put older kids under "occasionally."

3. Types of use planned?

- ☐ Weekend camping
- ☐ Vacation trips (two weeks or less)
- ☐ Tailgate parties (sports events, etc.)
- ☐ Day trips (beach, picnics, etc.)
- ☐ Extended travel (more than 2000 miles or two weeks)
- ☐ Extended use, without travel
- ☐ Use as second car

Question 3 gets to the heart of the matter. Your answers here will dictate in large part the type and size of RV that will be appropriate for you. In most instances, several or even all of these categories may be checked off. If so, establish your priorities. What will be the RV's primary use? It may help you to number the selections above, putting the most important one first.

4. Types of camping planned?

- ☐ Remote (no facilities)
- ☐ Primitive (minimal facilities)
- ☐ RV parks (full facilities)

This question requires a bit of self-analysis as to just what kind of camping you really like and realistically will do. Clearly, remote camping is not for everyone. Would you be willing to simply drive down a little side road, find a wide spot and pull over for the night? More importantly, would you and/or your family be comfortable with that type of camping? Primitive campsites, such as those in national forests, are some of the prettiest available, but they generally have size restrictions and few or no hookups.

5. What are your hobbies, interests, sports?