Important Seasonal PM for your FW17 Fifth Wheel
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The two most important items in eliminating fifth wheel operating difficulties are:

1. Proper Fifth Wheel P.M. Procedures (including as needed lubrication)
2. Proper Coupling Procedures

1. PROPER FIFTH WHEEL P.M.

Routine periodic maintenance and lubrication are a necessary part of your FW17 fifth wheel’s service life.

To get the maximum service life, perform the steps below at the intervals shown:

A. Thoroughly clean the locking mechanism every 6 months or 60,000 miles.
B. Inspect for bent, broken or missing parts every 6 months or 60,000 miles. Replace as necessary (use only genuine Holland parts).
C. Relube, as shown below. Inspect regularly and relubricate as necessary.
D. Check the operation by locking and unlocking using a Holland lock tester. Verify that the fifth wheel is completely closed, as shown on opposite side.

CLEAN/ LUBRICATE
Release handle pivot
Hook pin
Clean with spray WD-40 or CRC
Lubricate with SAE 10W or 20W motor oil

GREASE
Swing lock-to-hook contact areas
Cam track
Recommended greases:
A “low temp” grade recommended for –30°F or lower such as:
Cato Oil & Grease #5213
Craftsman Chemical Co. #LTF 2
Mystic LP-200 or equivalent
2. PROPER COUPLING PROCEDURES

One of the most common causes of coupling difficulties is improper coupling procedures. A visual inspection is the best way to insure proper coupling. Also, it is required by law as part of the pre-trip inspection.

After coupling, look for the following:

_Holland’s FW17 Coupling Instructions (Publication XL-FW493-N) highlights the most important steps in proper fifth wheel coupling._ For copies of the FW17 Coupling instructions or any other service need, please contact your local Holland representative.

In the US, call 1-888-396-6501. In Canada, call 604-574-7491 for British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan; or 519-537-2366 for Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and Atlantic Canada. Refer to Holland Publication XL-FW493-N for complete operating and maintenance procedures.