



# WASTE TANKS

All of our RV's are equipped with two holding tanks. The "black" tank holds the water and waste that goes into the toilet. The "gray" tank holds the water that goes into the sinks and shower. These tanks must be emptied periodically and this function is better known as "dumping".

## BLACK WASTE TANK

If properly used and maintained, you should experience little or no odor from the holding tank. Some things to remember are:

- 1.) Try not to allow this tank to get over half full.
- 2.) When you "dump" this tank, dump it before you "dump" the "gray" tank. This will allow the water in the "gray" tank to flush the sewer hose while "dumping".
- 3.) While you're hooked up to a sewage system, **DON'T** leave the dump valve for the "black" tank in the open position. If you do, this will allow the liquids to drain out but leave the solids to build up in the tank creating odors and possible blockage in the tank.
- 4.) Each time you "dump", you should run a couple of gallons of water into the tank by way of the flush mechanism on the toilet. Once you've got water in the tank, pour about 1/2 bottle or 4 ozs. of toilet chemical in the tank.
- 5.) If you experience odor or blockage in the tank, purchase a bag of crushed ice and pour it down the toilet just before driving the unit. As you drive, it will help break loose any solids that might be lodged in the tank.

## GRAY WASTE TANK

The "gray" waste tank should be relatively clean water and soap. There is nothing you need to do to use and maintain this tank except use some common sense. **NEVER** allow solids to be forced down the drain of the sinks or shower. Pouring grease and oils down the drain will cause a multitude of problems.

## DUMPING THE TANKS

When you're ready to "dump", remember the "dump" outlet is on the driver's side of the coach at the rear. Pull the RV as close as possible to the "dump" station. Locate the sewer hose provided and attach the end with the fitting to the "dump" outlet on the coach. Place the other end of the sewer hose into the "dump" station receptacle. (This end should be held in place by something fairly heavy to keep it from coming out of the receptacle once you start the flow.)

Locate the "black" tank dump valve (both dump valves are alike except the "black" tank valve is larger than the "gray" tank valve. Pull the dump lever all the way out and don't close it until your sure the flow has stopped. Close the valve making sure it is tightly closed. Go inside the coach and check the monitor for the level of the tanks, if they do not read "empty" you will need to flush the tanks. To do this you will need to locate water, either by a provided hose at the parks dump station or jugs of water, and pour it down the toilet then repeat the dumping process above.

Locate the "gray" tank valve and pull the dump lever all the way out. Once the flow stops, close the valve tightly. Disconnect the sewer hose, stow it and re-charge the "black" tank with chemical.