

## TRAILER CARE



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## **INSTRUCTIONS & AFTERCARE**

Particular care should be paid to the following (particularly when used in salt water):-

- 1. Always wash trailer with fresh water immediately after retrieving from salt water. Ensure that plenty of water is applied around hub and hitch area.
- 2. Do not leave handbrake on for any length of time after washing down, but ensure that wheels are properly chocked. If possible, tow trailer for 2-3 miles to warm the hubs before parking up. Ensure hitch is not left in compressed position.
- 3. Apply grease to hitch through nipples on top of hitch with grease gun regularly. Grease jockey wheel regularly.
- 4. Check brake cables are operating properly each time trailer is used.
- 5. Jockey Wheels: When in towing position ensure that outer casing is tight on both sides of the wheel bracket. Also ensure that the bolt spreader is in position.
- 6. Whenever towing, always stop and check trailer after 2-3 miles. i.e. Tie down straps are secure, brake cables are not sticking/ hubs are not getting too hot/ hitch is returning to off position.
- 7. Boat should always be strapped down utilising transom 'D' bolts aft, and the bow 'D' bolt forward. Rear straps and winch are pulling boat forward, therefore the front strap must be applied to prevent boat moving forward (particularly on multi-roller trailers)
- 8. Regularly check condition of winch strap for any signs of wear or damage.
- 9. Always carry a spare set of bearings.
- 10. Check tyre pressures regularly.