

# Motorhome Buyer's Checklist



A practical guide to help you compare models and avoid costly mistakes

Make a **list of your goods**, **note their dimensions**, and **take a tape measure** with you.

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## Practicality & Overall Design

- Warranty length and coverage (incl. unsealed roads)
- Build quality for long-term durability & resale
- Licence class remains suitable after options (GVM limits)
- Fuel efficiency appropriate for travel plans
- Fresh/grey water capacity suits needs & upgradability
- Battery/solar capacity adequate for off-grid (expandable)
- Generator location isolated (vibration, noise, exhaust, away from bed)
- Separate or flexible living/bedroom spaces
- Electric vs manual operation for external features (awnings, steps, etc.)
- External storage large enough for outdoor gear

## Licence & Chassis Selection

- Car (easier, better fuel, broader resale) vs truck licence (space, payload) suits needs
- Chassis strength appropriate for body length & slide-outs
- Drive type matches travel style (FWD, RWD, AWD, 4x4)
- Enough payload above minimum for safety margin

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## Construction & Structural Integrity

- Closed-cell composite panels for strength & water resistance
- Body structure minimises flex & long-term leaks
- Strong corner protection & reinforcement
- Slide-out design prevents movement, dust, water ingress
- Rollover protection or reinforced safety structure
- Construction designed for true motorhome use

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## Safety & Compliance

- Cabinets, drawers, appliances, TVs secured (10G pull-test)
- Auto-locking drawers & cupboards fitted
- Lithium batteries mounted externally or in sealed/vented compartments
- Gas bottles in sealed, externally vented compartment (max 2 for ferry)
- Designated seatbelt for every sleeping berth
- Payload allowance supports luggage, supplies, upgrades

## Bedroom & Storage

- Bedroom layout allows easy movement & bed making
- Bed size comfortable for two adults
- Island bed for easy exit without disturbing partner
- Mattress true standard sizing for normal bedding
- Cab-over bed access safe & comfortable to climb long-term
- Wardrobes full depth & practical (not wide, shallow)
- Wardrobe space not reduced by appliances
- Bedside storage includes drawers (not open shelves)
- Under-bed storage easily accessed (gas strut/electric lift)

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## Kitchen & Living Area

- Adequate bench space for meal prep
- Easy movement past each other while cooking
- Kitchen position doesn't block TV/living space
- Swivel seats easy to operate without opening cab doors
- Sufficient pantry & drawer storage (drawers preferred)
- Cooking method suits preference (gas, electric, induction)
- Sink large enough for washing up
- Appliances from reputable, serviceable brands
- Microwave mounted below shoulder height with safe landing space

## Comfort & Liveability

- Toilet positioned away from kitchen/dining (odour/noise)
- Seating comfortable for extended periods
- Ventilation & airflow adequate
- Layout comfortable for long stays, not just short trips
- Storage practical for everyday use, not just showroom appearance

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## Final Thought

A motorhome is a long-term investment. Choosing quality construction, intelligent design, adequate off-grid capability, and the right chassis ensures years of comfort, safety, durability, and resale value, enhancing your lifestyle. Revolution Motorhomes' team.