

Your

RV Good Guide



All you need
to know before
buying an RV.



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Are you ready to enjoy a *new* travel experience?

Buying an RV (Recreational Vehicle) is a very big decision; researching all the options and learning all you can before taking the plunge is really important.

At the RV Super Centre, our RV Good Guides are here to help you at every step of our journey. We're good people helping your next adventure and we can't wait to be a part of it. We also recommend doing internet research, spending time in other dealers yards, researching magazines and shows, joining the NZMCA (New Zealand

Motor Caravan Association) and talking to experienced RV owners.

Homework is key to ensuring you have the confidence to make the right decisions for yourself and your family.

Buying your first RV is an exciting journey, and won't seem daunting if you go into the experience pre-armed with knowledge.

Our knowledgeable Good Guides have over 100 years experience between

them and are keen RV enthusiasts themselves. So please ask us all those curly questions you want to know.

No matter where you are in your journey to buying an RV - we are here to help.

The greatest journeys start with good advice.

At the RV Super Centre, we have everything to help create *your dream RV lifestyle...*

Vehicle Sales

Whether you're looking for a new or used campervan, the RV Super Centre has a number of options to suit everyone. 6 berth, 4 berth and 2 berth formats are available under the renowned Kea brand, designed and built in NZ.

Retail Store

With a large range of RV and outdoor accessories, from plates and bowls to options for bike racks and power, we have everything you need to create your own unique RV experience.

Servicing & Grooming

Maintain and protect your motorhome with regular servicing and grooming from our experienced workshop team. Available in 3 locations across NZ.

Workshop & Repairs

Whether you have a small or large repair or require installation of accessories, the workshop team at the RV Super centre are experienced and ready to assist.

Finance

With a number of lenders, great rates and no deposit finance options, your dream RV lifestyle could be more achievable than you think!

Insurance

Protect your vehicle with insurance through Star Insurance - a trusted partner of the RV Super Centre.

A white Mercedes-Benz motorhome is driving on a paved road that curves through a landscape of dry, scrubby bushes and trees. The sun is low in the sky, creating a warm, golden light. Two people are visible in the driver's seat and the passenger seat. The motorhome has a large front grille with the Mercedes-Benz logo and a high-top roof.

Can I drive an RV on a regular license in New Zealand?

Yes, you can drive most RVs with a standard NZ Full car license.

If you hold a full class 1 New Zealand driver's license you can drive RVs with a Gross Laden Weight (GLW) or Gross Combined Weight 6000kg or less.

If you are on a Learner or Restricted class 1 license, you are allowed to drive RVs, but with an on-road weight 4500kg or less.

What are the benefits of owning an RV?

New Zealand is the perfect country to own an RV. Thanks to the Kiwi lifestyle and all the great spots, often secluded and off the beaten track. An RV offers you the flexibility to go where you want to go, when you want to go. You can travel at your own pace and discover roads and places, experiencing new things and making memories that will last forever.

- RVs are equipped with living, dining, sleeping, kitchen and bathroom facilities that allow you to explore the great outdoors without missing out on the conveniences of home.
- An RV requires little packing – everything is at your fingertips ready to go when the next trip may happen. RVs, especially larger ones, have plenty of space to store clothing, blankets, chairs, a barbecue and non-perishable food such as canned goods during times of inactivity, so you can just hop in your RV and go.
- Visiting friends and family members – an RV gives you your own space; simply drive up and park in their driveway - if they'll let you!
- Many RV owners have discovered that you can use it as a temporary home whilst your permanent home is being renovated or fumigated. You can stay close to your home, so no need to spend money on hotels or alternative accommodation.
- Travelling with pets? They easily adapt to this lifestyle and you don't have to put them in a kennel. Let them enjoy the journey with you!
- Less screen time, more green time! We hear it often, that parents want a way to get kids outdoors! The RV life provides the perfect time to disconnect from technology to be able to reconnect with family and friends.

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What to look for when buying your RV?

Before you start looking around at RVs on the market, stop and think about how you are going to use your RV. Short trips, visits to family and friends, freedom camping - how do you intend to use your vehicle?

- Do you intend to go off the grid for longer periods? You would need to think about self containment, fresh and waste tank sizes, batteries and solar panels. Read up on the Freedom Camping Laws in NZ so you know where you can stay.
- What level of comfort do you desire? Do you want to get away from it all and get back to basics or take your home luxuries and comforts on holiday with you? These days your RV can have all the mod cons plus some!
- What are you prepared to spend? Do you want to buy brand new or second hand? New Zealand built vs import?
- How many people will be travelling most of the time. Who will be travelling together the most? Do you need easy to use seating and bedding options because there are always more than two travelling, or if it's infrequent are you happy to set up beds and dismantle in the morning?
- Do you have space to store your RV when not in use?

Requirements to consider *to match your needs*

What RV is right for you?

Read on below to think about what RV you're looking for.

- Beds – how many will you need? Doubles, singles. A decent bed means a decent night sleep, which makes all the difference when away from home.
- Kitchen – would you use it? If so you will need a good working area, storage and appliances (stove, microwave, fridge, freezer, oven etc.).
- Are you happy to use facilities provided at a holiday park or do you want your own shower and toilet for convenience?
- Is the ceiling high enough for the tallest person travelling?
- How much storage would you need?
- Self containment – size of water tanks (fresh and waste), battery capacity, solar power, gas storage, refrigeration capacity and general storage. Self containment doesn't mean roughing it – you should have the technology and facilities on board to enjoy life's luxuries while you're connecting with nature and all it has to offer.

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The **cost of ownership**

The true cost of ownership goes beyond the initial purchase price. Do you have a clear and accurate picture of everything owning, using and maintaining an RV involves? The more you know, the more likely you will be to choose an RV that fits your budget.

The price tag of the RV is just one piece of the puzzle. Basic RV ownership expenses generally fall into seven categories:

- **Financing:** How you go about paying for your RV can make a great deal of difference in what you end up paying. Since most people are unable to buy with cash, they must finance their purchases and pay extra for doing so.
- **Insurance:** However, since an RV is a vehicle, owners do need to purchase automobile insurance. Prices are reasonable because most people only use RVs for short periods of time. Therefore it is less likely that they will have accidents.
- **Maintenance and repairs:** You can generally plan on a yearly service but repairs and upkeep can cost more, especially if you run into serious problems. Sooner or later you will be faced with cost of new tyres for example.
- **RV fees:** All vehicles need up to date registration and a valid Warranty/Certificate Of Fitness in order to drive on New Zealand's roads. There are also additional road users charges. Self Containment and electrical warrant of fitness is required to be updated every 4 years.
- **Storage:** If you don't have space at home you might have to pay for special parking. There are a number of options, including storage facilities.
- **Lifestyle and travel expenses:** Travelling and living in your RV isn't free. Fuel will represent the major part of the expense, but don't omit camping ground fees and other potential extras for access to fresh water or electricity. Belonging to organisations like NZMCA is a great way to get special rates on NZMCA campgrounds.
- **Depreciation and selling cost:** Most people do not realize that the biggest loss they generally take is what they get for their RV at the point of sale because of depreciation and cost involved in selling.

Here is a short list of a few of the recurring costs involved in owning and using an RV in New Zealand.

	Indicative yearly cost
Insurance	From \$700
Road user charges	\$60 per 1,000 km
Registration	\$240
Warrant Of Fitness	\$69
Certificate of Fitness	\$165
Standard Service	\$550
Registration	\$205

EXTRA TIP:

Make sure you are comparing apples with apples as leading manufacturers' standard specifications often include items that others list as options.

What is a WOF?

A Warrant of Fitness (WoF) is a regular check to ensure that your RV meets required safety standards. It's your job to keep your vehicle up to date at all times.

What is COF?

A Certificate of fitness (CoF) is a regular check to ensure that your vehicle meets required safety standards. Vehicles requiring this certification are: Heavy vehicles - trucks, larger trailers and RVs over 3,500kg.

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Guarantee and service plans

With the RV Super Centre (RVSC) you can benefit from our RVSC Guarantee.

Our RVSC Guarantee is free of charge and offered to everyone who buys a new or pre-loved RV from us.

When purchasing a new or pre-owned RV, you want it to be worry-free, with no serious issues down the track. We understand this and want our customers to feel confident purchasing an RV from us. We stand behind all our RVs and have put that in writing with our 12 month RVSC Guarantee. This special guarantee is in addition to any manufacturer guarantee or warranty provided on new or near new vehicles. The guarantee covers all mechanical issues as well as the inside and outside of your RV. And best of all, it's free with every RV we sell. Nobody else does this.

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Rv Super Centre accessories

Everything you need for amazing adventures away...

At RVSC we understand the importance of making your motorhome feel like a 'home away from home'. Need bowls and plates? No problem, or how about sheepskin car seat covers to make your trip more comfortable? The team at RVSC know what it takes to be fully self-contained and prepared for any season or holiday.



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Design your dream home...

Talk to our friendly team about install and accessory options...

Depending on how you intend to use your vehicle, will determine what you need to add on to create your dream home (on wheels!)

If you are going off grid and need extra power to keep you going - add additional solar panels & batteries. If you want extra space to relax and read a book? Lightweight awnings are a great solution. If you are spending lots of time on the road then a TV might be a good source of entertainment. RV Super Centre have so many options to customize your new RV to suit your lifestyle, we also have a big team of mechanics and installers that can help make this process quick and easy. Your dream RV is easily a reality!



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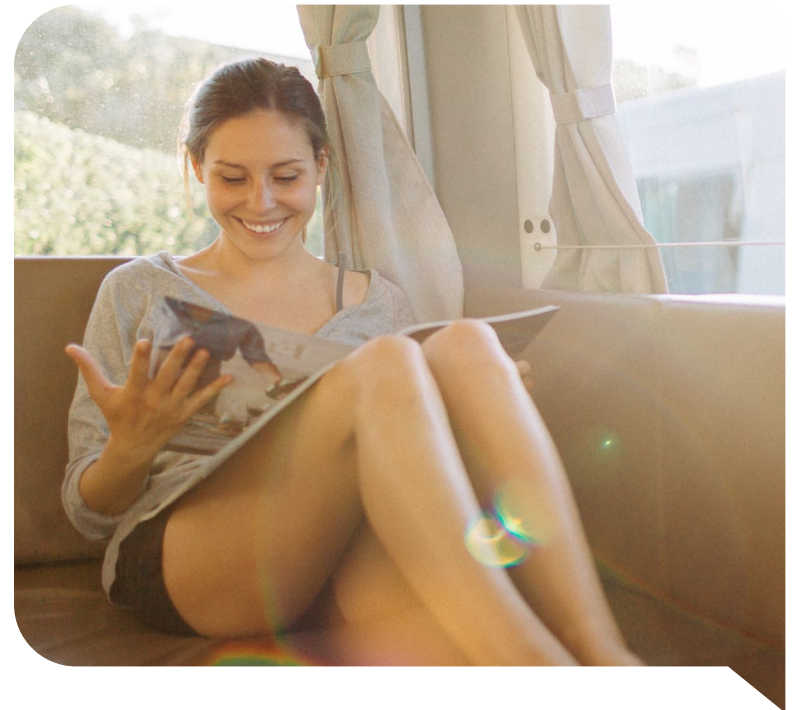
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Why choose a self-contained RV?

What is certified self-containment?

Certified Self Containment is maintaining and certifying your RV in accordance with the New Zealand Standard for Self Containment of Motor Caravans and Caravans, NZS 5465:2001.

The creation of the Standard was spearheaded by the NZMCA to provide a solution to the increasing problems associated with the use of motor caravans and the disposal of waste.

A self contained vehicle is designed to completely meet the ablutionary and sanitary needs of the occupants (including water for drinking and cooking) for a minimum of three days without requiring any external services or discharging any waste.

Waste water is collected in holding tanks then disposed of via a dump station. Dump stations are connected to reticulated sewerage or septic tank systems, therefore the treatments used in the waste water must be approved toilet chemicals or treatments that do not affect the operation of these systems.

Why should I buy a certified RV?

A self containment certificate provides local authorities and communities with a way to recognise that an RV poses minimal risk to the environment and public health. That way they are able to accommodate RVs at reserves and other areas where there are limited or no external facilities.

Without self containment, the environmental and public health problems caused by RVs will become unacceptable, and will result in councils and government placing increasing restrictions on the use of motor caravans.

Your vehicle will display a sticker to indicate the certification, which will also allow you to Freedom Camp in nominated locations.





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Why should you join the NZMCA?

The New Zealand Motor Caravan Association (NZMCA) is a membership based organisation representing the interests of private motor caravan owners in New Zealand. This is a great way to meet other RV enthusiasts who are like minded and who can share tips and advice while you are on the road or planning a trip.

The NZMCA have a network of privately owned Park Over Properties (POP's) and NZMCA parks. You'll experience new adventures, find secret destinations and make some great memories. Membership funds are invested in new camping grounds that are priced at a fraction of the price of HAPNZ or Top 10 Holiday Parks. Benefits of being a member also include:

- Belonging to a large organisation with a great network of like-minded people with knowledge about the RV industry
- Discounted ferry crossings
- Doc accommodation and other benefits
- Invitations to NZMCA rallies and special events
- Travel directory featuring maps and GPS coordinates for all associated campgrounds
- Bi-monthly magazine subscription to The Motor Caravanner magazine
- Parking sites
- Operates a network of camping sites exclusive to members travelling in certified self-contained RV's

CAMPING SITES

NZMCA Parks: A network of overnight parking sites across New Zealand exclusive to NZMCA members travelling in certified self contained RVs.

Park Over Properties: Members have access to a unique network of nearly 300 privately owned POPs throughout the country.

Camping & Holiday Parks: Discounts at many camps and holiday parks through New Zealand.

Department Of Conservation (DOC): Take advantage of the opportunity to purchase a DOC annual pass and stay in standard DOC camps without having to pay the per person overnight fee.

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Thank you **for letting** **us be part of your journey**

The RV Super Centre is a member of Motor Trade Association and is backed by Tourism Holdings Limited, the largest RV rental company in New Zealand with a wealth of knowledge of the industry and the RVs themselves. Our staff have a wealth of experience and knowledge and are happy to pass this on to you. Ultimately the decision to buy an RV is yours and we are here to help you every step of the way. And once you have purchased your RV, we are here to help with servicing, fitting accessories, retail accessories and all your RV needs.

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