

Land Yacht MH Main Door Seam and sealant

I received a call recently asking about what was wrong with the bottom of the main door on their Airstream Land Yacht motorhome. The door appeared to be bulging and looked as if it was rotting out at the bottom on the inside door panel. I explained to them about the exterior rub rail molding and how that actually covers up a seam in the fiberglass and if not maintained will allow water to enter into the door and ruin the door. They went out and checked and found that the sealant had separated along the top of the molding and he could see where the water was coming in. They called back to thank me and said you should put this in your monthly column. They are very meticulous and would have checked this sealer if they had known. (The construction of the doors on the different models of motorhomes vary and some may not have the seam behind the molding, but you should always inspect the sealants on your Airstream at least annually.) I told them I would mention this in a future article.

Foil Bubble insulation used between floor and chassis

(Single Bubble Flexfoil Part Number 203239)

2006 Model year trailers were the start of Foil/Bubble insulation across the board on Airstream trailers, this replaced the pink fiberglass insulation that had been used previously. Foil Bubble insulation was first used with the start of the slide out trailers (1999).