Checklist for the Living Quarters Buyer

Investing in a Living Quarters Trailer?

Use this **Checklist** to compare models and prioritize the many options available to you.

This organizer will address the **living quarters portion of the trailer only.** We suggest you download the Horse Trailer Checklist to focus on the horse stall area and towing vehicle.

Have you considered		
☐ Amount of expected use - occasional or regular		
☐ Expected # of people requiring sleeping space		
☐ Year-round travel or fair weather only		
☐ Length of typical travel time - days or weeks		
☐ The type of roads you expect to travel - narrow, windy, steep, etc.		
□ Weekender or complete living quarters?		
□ Interior: Simple or Luxury		
☐ Any overall length or weight restrictions		
☐ Type of Horse activities you will be attending		
☐ Other uses – hauling cattle or other livestock, hauling off- road vehicles or carriages, etc		
☐ Budget for monthly payment		
 After considering the above list, note your preferred length of living quarters area - usually measured by the short wall 		
☐ Desire new or used		
☐ # of stalls desired (maybe an extra stall for storage?)		
This section will help you compare different trailers. Print as many sheets as necessary.	Brand/Model	Brand/Model
Kitchen Area	New/Used	New/Used
☐ Single or double sinks		
☐ Microwave or Convection/Microwave Combo		
☐ Seating - Dinette or Couch & Fabric or Leather		
☐ # of burners on cooktop if any		
☐ Size of refrigerator		
□ Real wood cabinets or veneer		
□ Amount of cabinets		
☐ Amount of drawer space		
☐ Lighting - type and how much		
☐ Convenient light switches		
□ Table - size		
□ Other amenities		

Living/sleeping areas	
□ Décor - upgraded or adequate	
□ Cabinetry in the gooseneck area	
□ TV - More than 1, Viewable from desired areas	
□ AM/FM, CD/DVD player w/ speakers	
□ Outside speakers	
□ Wardrobe space	
□ Safety features required in certified trailers - escape windows, CO2 & LP detector, smoke alarm, fire extinguisher	
□ Screen door	
□ Satellite	
□ Bunkbeds	
□ Furnace	
☐ Air Conditioner - Ducted to bathroom & gooseneck?	
□ Height in gooseneck area over bed	
□ # of Beds	
☐ Type of walls & ceiling covering	
☐ Type of flooring, linoleum, hardwood, carpet	
□ Size of water heater	
□ Window blinds & shades	
☐ Lighting - type and how much	
□ Size of matress in Gooseneck area; comforter?	
□ Slide-out - size	
□ Other	
Bathroom	
□ Shower/toilet combination or separate	
□ Size of shower	
□ Bathroom sink	
□ Wardrobe space	
□ vanity cabinet/mirror	
□ Layout - Adequate, small, roomy	
□ Power roof vent or standard	
□ Shower door or curtain	
□ Other	

Exterior	
☐ Height of trailer	
☐ Generator - Propane or Gas, Size, location, remote switch?	
□ Flood lights, Porch Light	
☐ Size of Fresh water tank	
☐ Size of black and gray holding tanks	
□ Location of tanks	
□ Exterior step at LQ door	
☐ Size & # of propane tanks	
☐ Awning - length and type	
☐ Single or double batteries	
□ Combination dead bolt lock	
□ Exterior faucet	
☐ Trailer jack - manual, electric, hydraulic, single or dual	
□ Other	
Storage Space	
☐ Size & Location of tack area - Rear Tack, Side Tack or Mid Tack	
□ Hayrack	
□ Extra Water storage	
☐ Mangers for storage	
□ Extra stall for storage	
□ Walk-thru door to first stall	
☐ 1st stall escape door - more easily allowing it to be used as storage space	
☐ Stud divider at 1st stall - for ease of storage space	
□ Other	
Other Features	
□ Other	

Financial

☐ Manufacturer's Warranty - (length of coverage). If no warranty, is one available for purchase?	
□ Price	
□ Payment	
□ Within budget?	
☐ Financing – should I get pre-approved?	
□ Available cash down payment	
□ Resale value	
□ Value = Price + quality + features!	

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