



Check This Before You Hit the Road

Welcome! We hope you have an amazing trip exploring Western Australia. Please read the information below carefully before and during your journey. These tips will help you travel safely and avoid common issues.

Top 5 Common Mistakes to Avoid

- 1 Driving in sand without lowering tyre pressure.
- 2 Driving off with canopy doors still open.
- 3 Leaving the awning out in wind, bad weather, or when the vehicle is unattended.
- 4 Leaving the inverter on when it's not in use.
- 5 Entering car parks or drive-throughs without checking the entrance height.

Basic Road Rules in Western Australia

- ✓ We drive on the left-hand side of the road.
- ✓ Seatbelts must be worn by all passengers.
- ✗ Do not use a mobile phone while driving, unless hands-free.
- ✓ Obey posted speed limits at all times.
- ✓ Be aware of wildlife. Avoid driving at dawn, dusk or at night.

Important Phone Numbers

- ✓ Emergency (Police / Fire / Ambulance) **000**
- ✓ Police Assistance (non-emergency) **131 444**
- ✓ SES (storms, flood assistance) **132 500**

- ✓ HealthDirect (24/7 med. advice) **1800 022 222**
- ✓ Poisons Information Centre **13 11 26**
- ✓ Roadside Assistance **02 4075 2000 (Option 4)**
- ✓ Camplify Support via the Camplify app
- ✓ Or contact us directly **04 603 614 05**

Before You Start Driving

⚠ Always check the following before you hit the road:

- ✓ All canopy doors are closed and locked
- ✓ Rooftent fully closed and locked at all sides.
- ✓ Loose items secured.
- ✓ Awning fully closed.
- ✓ Nothing left on the roof or outside the vehicle.
- ✓ Vehicle height: please be mindful of low branches, car parks and drive-throughs.

Awning Use

- ⚠ Do not use the awning in strong wind.**
- ✓ Always pack away the awning when leaving the vehicle unattended.
- ✓ Check if bad weather is forecasted.
- ✓ Wind can damage the awning very quickly.

Power & Electrical System

- ✓ Turn off the inverter when not in use.
- ✓ Monitor the battery level regularly.





Important Information

Water System

- ✓ Only turn on the pump when using the tap.
- ✓ Turn off the pump when finished.
- ✓ When filling the water tank, please remove the hose adaptor from the tap afterwards, so it doesn't get left behind.

Driving on Sand / Off-Road

- ✓ Lower tyre pressure before entering sand.
- ✓ Avoid stopping in very soft sand.
- ✓ Maintain steady momentum.
- ✓ Use 4WD where needed.
- ✓ Inflate tyres back to road pressure immediately when driving on sealed roads
- ✓ Turn off 4WD when driving on sealed roads.

⚠ Driving with low tyre pressure or using 4WD on bitumen can damage the vehicle.

Fuel

- ✓ Keep an eye on fuel level, especially in remote areas. Top up when possible.
- ✓ Fuel stations can be far apart in regional WA.

Wildlife Safety

- ✓ Wildlife is common on regional roads.
- ✓ Avoid driving at dawn, dusk or at night.
- ✓ If an animal crosses the road, brake firmly but avoid sudden swerving.

Remote Travel Challenges

- ✓ Towns can be 500+ km apart.
- ✓ Emergency response may take 12+ hours.
- ✓ Temperatures can exceed 45°C in summer and drop below zero in winter.

- ✓ Fuel stops can be 200+ km apart.
- ✓ There are minimal medical services.
- ✓ Take into account rough road conditions and longer travel times.
- ✓ Be aware of wildlife such as kangaroos, cattle on the road and venomous snakes and spiders in outback areas.
- ✓ Carry at least 20 L water per person, use multiple containers, consider water purification.
- ✓ Carry 7 days of non-perishable food, high-energy options, electrolytes and alternatives that don't require gas.
- ✓ Limited mobile coverage, there is often no signal in outback areas.

⚠ Check road conditions, fuel stops and backup routes before travel.

Returning the Vehicle

- ✓ Return the vehicle at the agreed time.
- ✓ Return the vehicle with the same fuel level as when you picked it up.
- ✓ Remove all rubbish.
- ✓ Wash dishes and cooking equipment.
- ✓ Empty the fridge and wipe it if needed.
- ✓ Leave the interior reasonably clean.
- ✓ Rinse or clean the exterior if it is heavily covered in mud, sand or red dust.
- ✓ Double-check all storage areas for phones, chargers, clothes, documents and food.
- ✓ Report any damage or issues immediately.

⚠ If the vehicle is returned in a condition that does not meet the above requirements, an Outback Cleaning Fee of AUD \$250 may apply.





Understanding Remote Area Challenges

Australia contains some of the world's most remote and challenging travel environments. Understanding these challenges helps develop appropriate preparation strategies and maintains insurance coverage validity.

- ✓ **Distance and isolation factors** Australia's outback includes areas where the nearest town is 500+ kilometres away and emergency services response can take 12+ hours. Mobile phone coverage disappears for thousands of square kilometres, leaving travellers completely reliant on backup communication systems. Road traffic may be so sparse that days pass without seeing another vehicle.
- ✓ **Environmental extremes that test preparation** Summer temperatures regularly exceed 45°C while winter nights can drop below zero. Sudden weather changes can trap travellers for days with flooding, dust storms or extreme heat. **⚠ Water becomes the critical survival factor. Dehydration can become dangerous within hours in extreme heat.**
- ✓ **Infrastructure limitations** Fuel availability may be limited to stations 200+ kilometres apart, and some stations periodically close without warning. Medical facilities are non-existent across vast areas, making self-sufficiency essential. Road conditions can deteriorate rapidly, stranding unprepared vehicles.
- ✓ **Wildlife and natural hazards** Large animals including cattle, camels, and kangaroos create collision risks, particularly during dawn and dusk. Venomous snakes and spiders require specific first aid knowledge and equipment. Flash flooding can make roads impassable with little warning.
- ✓ **Water storage and management** Carry minimum 20 litres of water per person for remote travel, with additional reserves for vehicle cooling. Multiple storage containers prevent total loss if one container fails. Monitor water consumption and plan resupply carefully.
- ✓ **Food and nutrition for remote areas** Non-perishable food supplies for minimum 7 days per person. High-energy, low-water foods optimise nutrition in hot conditions. Electrolyte replacement becomes critical in extreme heat situations. Cooking alternatives that don't require gas if gas systems fail.
- ✓ **Mobile phone limitations in remote Australia** Even Australia's most comprehensive networks provide coverage for only a fraction of outback areas. Telstra offers the best remote coverage but still leaves vast areas without signal. Battery life becomes critical during emergencies when charging options are limited.
- ✓ **Detailed route planning** Research current road conditions and seasonal access restrictions. Identify fuel, water, and supply points along your route with backup options. **⚠ Plan daily distances conservatively allowing for unexpected conditions and mechanical issues.**

