TRAILER GUIDELINES

Trailer Care and Maintenance

- 1. ALWAYS Keep your tires (year-round) at the maximum PSI rating, marked on the tire and the VIN Plate.
- 2. The brakes of your trailer have a break-in period. As you put your first few hundred miles on the trailer, the brake shoes will need to be adjusted.
- 3. Grease your bearings every 12,000 miles or 12 months, whichever come first. When you grease:

a. Only use Lithium base grease.

b. <u>DO NOT use an air grease gun</u>. It will blow out the seals c. Add grease until you see surplus come out. STOP and wipe away excess. <u>TOO MUCH GREASE IS BAD</u>. Keep dust cap free of grease.

- d. To change your grease, follow step c. until you see clean grease.
- 4. Washing the trailer is important. DO NOT use harsh abrasives or cleaners on any part of the trailer. Wax the trailer once or twice a year. If the trailer has been submerged in brackish or salt water, thoroughly rinse the trailer and all its components, including the backsides of the wheels and in the brake shoes with fresh water.

Towing Your Boat

- 1. Check tire pressure and lug nuts.
- 2. Connect the trailer to the tow vehicle. Make sure that your receiver is set-up such that you trailer is level when connected and that the coupler is in the locked position.
- 3.. Raise up the trailer jack and lock it up in place.
- 4. Check the wiring and make sure all lights are working properly.
- 5. Secure both safety cables and the breakaway switch cable. It is recommended that you cross the left side safety cable under the coupler to the right side of your hitch (and vise versa with the right cable). Always put the hook on with the open slot of the "S" hook facing towards the front of the tow vehicle.
- 6. Have your boat secured to the trailer with three heavy-duty tie-downs; Two on the back and one of the front. The winch strap IS NOT designed to be a front tie-down.
- 7. Make sure all equipment inside the boat is properly secured.
- 8. Adjust your tow vehicle's mirrors so that you have proper view of the boat/trailer.
- 9. Make sure your boat's engines are raised and secured.
- 10. Don't forget to take wider turns when towing the trailer.