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- Open bags and remove all contents to inspect for hiding seeds, bits of dirt, and tiny animal stowaways (Optional: do this before arriving at the check-in site).
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SANITATION CHECKLIST

- Wash all outside surfaces of the vehicle with detergent to thoroughly remove all soil and debris. Pay special attention to the undercarriage, wheel wells, tire treads, mud flaps, side-step-bars and other areas or crevices where soil and debris can become trapped.
- Take out and wash floor mats. When dried, spray mats with 70% rubbing alcohol and dry again before returning to vehicle.
- Vacuum or sweep up vehicle floors, aisles, and seats to remove soil and debris. Spray with 70% rubbing alcohol where needed.

TIPS FOR EASY SANITATION

Use a high pressure water source to thoroughly wash your vehicle before and after each outing. A power washer is ideal for washing, but high pressure hose nozzle attachments can also be used.

Clean your vehicle at a designated vehicle wash station or area that has good drainage and is out of the path of regular traffic. Gravel or paved wash areas are best. Paved areas allow soil and debris to be easily cleaned from the wash platform after each vehicle washing.



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