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Report for: **2010 Sample Brand** manufactured by **Sample Mfg**
Type: **fifth wheel trailer** Model: **Sample Model**

Manufacturer History

A commentary by the RVCG staff.

**In this section we give you a commentary based on the
Brand's Manufacturer history.**

control and to apply the Golden Rule in all their business dealings

Use

Based upon the standard equipment installed by the manufacturer, such as the following:

- window venting, such as torque (jalousie) windows in the galley and sleeping areas;
- venting in the bathroom and galley areas;
- shower stall walls for repelling water without moisture accumulation;
- sturdiness and water tightness of shower / tub;
- ability of shower enclosure to keep bath water from spilling on floor;
- the type and thickness of walls and wall framing;
- the type and quality of floor, ceiling, and wall insulation;
- reputation for livability;

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This **Sample Brand** trailer at approximately **33** feet long should be adequate for:

- weekend use and vacations with light live-in activities.
- vacation use to 60 days a year of moderate live-in activity.
- treks into the wilderness with extended stays to 90 days with extensive housekeeping activities.
- snowbirding use to 6 months a year with light to moderate housekeeping.
- full-time live-in activities with extensive housekeeping.

The comfort zone for live-in use of this brand is a temperature range of **30-90** degrees Fahrenheit.

Highway Safety

Highway safety risk (control, accident, bodily injury) for this type of trailer in excellent condition when carefully balanced and properly hitched to a carefully-matched tow vehicle with adequate safety devices:

- unsafe
- high risk
- cautionary
- reasonably safe
- generally safe

Highway safety risk for this type of trailer when it is **not** carefully balanced and properly hitched -- such as low hitch weight percentages, short back-of-ball ratio, improperly adjusted or installed hitch, or hitched to an inadequate vehicle for the trailer's hitching system or overall weight.

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Construction Comments by JD Gallant

In this section JD Gallant gives you his forthright opinions on the construction of this Brand.

Price Guide

The average MSRP (Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price) of this model when new , including factory-installed options, is estimated at **\$42,210.00** . The average price paid for this brand / model when new is **80%** of the MSRP. (Please read Important Notes on the bottom of this report on Pricing.)

The following depreciation schedule is based upon the maximum this trailer should depreciate at the various ages when originally sold at the average price paid and should be used as a budgetary guide only. Although the average dealer price is 70% of list, these also may vary.

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Age	Average Depreciation in Average Condition	Average Price with Average Options and Average Dealer Installed Equipment	Age	Average Depreciation in Average Condition	Average Price with Average Options and Average Dealer Installed Equipment
1	11.5%	\$31,005	11	44.5%	\$19,444
2	13.5%	\$30,305	12	46.5%	\$18,743
3	16.5%	\$29,254	13	48.5%	\$18,043
4	21.5%	\$27,502	14	50.5%	\$17,342
5	26.5%	\$25,750	15	52.5%	\$16,641
6	31.5%	\$23,998	16	53.5%	\$16,291
7	36.5%	\$22,247	17	54.5%	\$15,941
8	38.5%	\$21,546	18	55.5%	\$15,590
9	40.5%	\$20,845	19	56.5%	\$15,240
10	42.5%	\$20,145	20	56.5%	\$15,240

Regarding Options: To figure the depreciation of after-market options, you need to find the value when new and multiply it by 20% (an average discount on options) plus the percentage shown on the first column to figure how much value there is still left in that optional equipment. For example, if you are buying a used RV with solar panels and an inverter, both the inverter and the solar panels should first be depreciated from their original value to figure how much should be added to the price of the RV.

Regarding Price: It is important to realize that the only accurate way to know the legitimate price of an RV is to see a manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP) sheet or an official manufacturer's price list. Any other price, such as that shown on this report, must only be used for budgetary purposes. You should never buy a new RV without seeing the manufacturer's suggested retail price. If you buy a used RV, you should get a close representation of its price when sold new and deduct from there. This is what we give you in this report.

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Unlike automobile manufacturers, RV manufacturers are not required to post MSRP sheets on the vehicles - although some provide MSRP sheets for dealers to place on the RV. If the dealer refuses to show you the MSRP (list price) sheet, all you can do is compare prices with other dealers. However, to our knowledge, all RV manufacturers provide list prices from which their dealers order. Wholesale is usually between 68-72% of the MSRP. Kelley Blue Book, N.A.D.A. Price Guide, and RV Consumer Group receive most price information from the manufacturers. But, these prices are never updated so they should be considered as a guide only.

Staff Review of this and associated brands

In this section we give you our staff's review of this particular Brand and any other associated Brands. Some consumer comments are also included.

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Rating Summary:

Reliability:

Generated from consumer satisfaction polls plus staff evaluations of brand and manufacturer, this rating will give you an idea about how the manufacturer will honor its consumer commitments and how the **Sample Brand** will hold together throughout the years.

85 ★★★★★

Value:

Because a brand's reputation from dealers and consumers is a great indicator of how an RV will hold its value, this rating will give you an idea of how much the **Brand** will depreciate as it ages and whether your investment will be a good one or a bad one. This rating is based on average resale value and reputation.

92 ★★★★★

Average Star Rating



(0 stars = unacceptable, 1 star = barely acceptable, 2 stars = fair, 3 stars = good, 4 stars = very good, 5 stars = excellent
1/2 star indicates that the model is at least halfway to making the next star level.)