

Instructions for using the Ministry Trailer

Pulling the Trailer

1. A minimum 3/4 ton pick-up is needed to pull the trailer outside the Weatherford city limits. A 1/2 ton truck can pull the trailer within the city limits, but a 3/4 ton is still recommended. Someone experienced in pulling and backing a heavy trailer should be driving.
2. A 2 5/16" hitch ball is needed to connect to the trailer. We have one in the office, and it must be returned before we can return your deposit.
3. Be sure the locking pin on the trailer hitch is completely secured to the ball. Loop the electronic brake cable through a secure connection on the truck and then plug it into the black box. If the cable breaks free, the electronic brakes on the trailer will engage.
4. Secure the trailer with the hitch lock when it is not hooked to a vehicle. Be sure to keep track of keys to the hitch lock, all locks that go with the trailer, and the electronic brake cable.

Unloading the trailer

1. You should allow approximately two hours for setting up the equipment. Be sure to have adequate circuits available for the number of blowers being used. Determine which circuits you can use and where to position the equipment **before** unloading.
2. The rear door is a ramp that is used to load and unload the equipment.
3. **This equipment is heavy, and will require a minimum of 4-6 adults to set up.** Each piece of equipment is strapped to its own dolly. The heaviest dollies may require two adults to move.
4. Place each unit at least five feet away from any structure or any overhead obstruction.
5. Place tarps down to cover the ground under the equipment as much as possible. Do not set up the games on any jagged surface such as bricks or rocks. The footprint for each game is:
 - Bounce House: 13'Lx13'Wx13'H weight: 170 lbs.
 - Slide: 24'Lx12'Wx18'H weight: 390 lbs.
 - Obstacle course (2 pieces): 52'Lx13'Wx16'H weight (both pieces together): 510 lbs.
6. Unroll each piece and unfold it as flat as possible. Attach blowers to the sleeves and tighten down the strap. Turn the blowers on to inflate. If the equipment fails to inflate, make sure that the zippers under the Velcro flaps on the sides of each unit are completely zipped up.

During use

1. The units should be attended by at least one adult at all times. Follow the rules that are printed on the units. Shoes should be removed before playing on any of the units. During use, you will hear a small amount of air escaping through the seams. This is normal. It relieves pressure on the seams. However, take note of any large holes that are developing in the seams or in the vinyl.

2. During heavy wind, when no adult is present, or when finished you can turn off the blowers to deflate the units. Open the side panels (Velcro panels over zippers) to release air faster.

3. When finished, push the sides of the units (the walls on the slide) toward the middle as they deflate. Fold the units in thirds (as you fold them you will see a seam along which they fold best), and then roll them up from back to front. After rolling up the unit, wrap the two black straps around it and secure them. Then use the orange straps to secure the unit to a dolly.

Order of Loading the trailer

1. Load blowers and other equipment in the front of the trailer first.

2. Load the two pieces of the obstacle course on the left side of the trailer, one in front of the other. Load the slide on the right side of the trailer and the bounce house behind it.

3. Pull the dollies up the ramp, then turn them around so that they can be rolled backwards down the ramp by the next group.

4. Securely lock the trailer before transporting.