



SUFFOLK CENTRE

TIPS AND IDEAS



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Breakdown Cover.



Are you one of many caravanners who have purchased a new car in recent years and have as part of that purchase been given complimentary breakdown/road side assistance cover through the RAC, AA etc for one to three years.

Have you checked what conditions apply should you unfortunately break down whilst towing your van inasmuch what could or might not happen to your caravan should your breakdown not be repairable by the roadside and need removal to a dealership.

Remember that it is your vehicle that is covered not your caravan in tow and you may find that it could be left "secured" at the roadside whilst your vehicle is taken to a dealership or at best it could be taken to the nearest caravan site to the repair dealership if the repair site cannot accommodate it due to space restrictions.

One possible solution is to subscribe to The Caravan Club MAYDAY service "Recovery only option" which is £30 per year. Then if you have a breakdown you can first call your vehicles breakdown cover. If they can get you repaired and on your way – wonderful, if they cannot and they need to remove your vehicle only to a repair dealership, decline their help and call MAYDAY who will take your vehicle and caravan onto your intended destination. Should you not be able to get your vehicle repaired MAYDAY will return you, your vehicle and caravan home at the end of your stay.

Don't forget that the MAYDAY service also covers breakdowns affecting the caravan itself. Good value at 58p per week.