

Bus Maintenance Musts



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Editor's Note: Crawling under a bus can be very dangerous. If you are not familiar with your bus's suspension system, or your jacks, then you should take your bus to a heavy-duty bus or truck mechanic. People are killed every year by jacking them up improperly, by airbags that blow out unexpectedly, or when they fall off blocks and other support items that should never be used for jacking up a bus. Neither I nor Bus Conversion Magazine assumes any liability for what you do or how you do it.

Unfortunately, many bus conversion owners do not maintain their bus as they should, having been erroneously led astray by mechanics, friends, YouTubers, and old wives' tales (it's a million-mile motor for example). If you're looking to purchase a coach, or you just bought one, here are some things to consider.

Your bus will reward you when properly maintained with safety, reliability, comfort, and peace of mind. Our bus moves us roughly 50,000 miles a year, and we never worry when hitting the road.

Maintenance will always cost less than repairs, and won't leave you stranded. The following list applies to both someone inspecting

a bus for purchase, or once it's yours to make sure it's safe and reliable.

If you are considering a coach to purchase, ask the current owner for the service history

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