## MILDEW PREVENTION AND REMOVAL

Fleetwood Folding Trailers has configured the following treatment procedure using a local, commercial product, X-14 Mildew Stain Remover (red, white, and blue container only).

- 1. Open the folding trailer to full height.
- 2. Extend both bed assemblies and place bed supports onto the appropriate bed pins.
- 3. Place the canvas support poles into the top assembly tent support brackets and bed bows. Extend support poles until canvas is tight.
- 4. Secure the tent sections around the perimeter of bed assemblies with the elastic shock cord.
- 5. Remove mattress assemblies, drapes, privacy curtains, etc. from unit. (Remove all fabric that would come in contact with the X-14 mildew stain remover.)
- 6. Spray X-14 mildew stain remover on a sponge or cloth and apply to interior contaminated areas of bed vinyl material. Allow to air dry. (Mildew will start to fade as the X-14 dries.)

## **CAUTION:**

X-14 is a caustic liquid which can discolor some fabrics and cause deterioration of natural fabrics. Follow directions and cautions on container prior to use. Spray X-14 on sponge or cloth outside the folding trailer. Surfactants within can cause the tent material to leak. Use X-14 in a well ventilated area. Follow all recommendations found on the bottle by the manufacturer.

- 7. Rinse area with a sponge and clean water. Allow to completely air dry.
- 8. Periodically (once a week/month) apply a generous coating of mildew disinfectant to bed vinyl material to inhibit the return growth of mildew contaminants. Tent sections should be thoroughly cleaned and dried prior to periods of long term storage.

The problem in treating mildew is it varies in degrees of strength. The longer the fungus spreads without treatment, the more impregnated the stains become within the vinyl material. Eventually, without treatment the stains will not clean out, requiring replacement. Therefore, it is imperative that treatment be administered quickly to minimize contamination.

**NOTE**: A solution of 50/50 or stronger Clorox and water can be substituted in place of the X-14 mildew stain remover. This solution must be used on vinyl or Sunbrella 302 tent fabric only.