

## **BEFORE YOU TOW**

Each time you plan to tow your trailer, inspect and service the following items:

- Breakaway Brakes (electric and hydraulic) Check operation.
- Breakaway Battery Ensure connections are clean and the battery is fully charged.
- Electric Brakes Check operation.
- Surge Brakes Check operation and master cylinder level.
- Shoes and Drums Adjust.
- <u>Safety Chains</u> and Hooks Check for wear and damage.
- Coupler and Hitch Ball Check for cracks, pits, and flats. Replace with ball and coupler hitch having trailer GVW rating if needed. Grease, and then check locking device and replace when worn.
- Ring and Pintle Follow the same steps as you would for the Coupler and Hitch Ball.
  Replace with a ring and pintle having trailer GVW rating if needed.
- Tires Check tire pressure when cold and inflate as needed. Also, check for damage.
- Wheels (lug nuts or bolts and hub) Check for tightness and tighten. For new or remounted wheels, check torque after first 10, 25, and 50 miles of driving and after any impact.