

## **ERECTION INSTRUCTIONS** **FOR ANTIBES 2**

### **BEFORE USE**

**PLEASE TAKE TIME TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ERECTION INSTRUCTIONS. FAILURE TO ERECT THE TENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS MAY RESULT IN DAMAGE TO BOTH FABRIC AND POLE SYSTEMS. SUCH DAMAGE CANNOT BE COVERED BY THE WARRANTY.**

### **WARNING!!**

**DO NOT PUSH TENT PEGS IN BY HAND, ALL TENT PEGS SHOULD BE DRIVEN HOME USING A WOODEN OR RUBBER FACED Mallet OR SIMILAR TOOL.**

TO ENSURE MAXIMUM POSSIBLE WATERPROOFING THE MAIN FLY SHEET SEAMS HAVE BEEN TAPED. SHOULD THE TAPE BE DAMAGED AND PEEL AWAY YOU CAN EFFECT A REPAIR BY USING SEAM SEALER AROUND THE PROBLEM AREA.

WE ALSO RECOMMEND THAT SEAM SEALER IS APPLIED TO UNTAPED SEAMS TO PREVENT LEAKAGE.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU DO NOT ALLOW SEAM SEALER TO CONTAMINATE THE TEETH OF ANY ZIPS AS THIS WILL PREVENT THE ZIP FROM FUNCTIONING CORRECTLY.

IF YOU DO USE SEAM SEALER IT IS BEST APPLIED WHEN THE TENT IS DRY. PICK A DRY WARM DAY TO CARRY OUT ANY SEALING AND PLEASE ALLOW 48 HOURS FOR THE SEALANT TO CURE PRIOR TO RE-PACKAGING THE TENT.

FAILURE TO ALLOW THE SEALANT TO DRY FULLY PRIOR TO PACKING THE TENT UP WILL STICK THE FABRIC TOGETHER POSSIBLY CAUSING IRREPARABLE DAMAGE.

### **DURING USE**

TENTS CONTAINING A HIGH PROPORTION OF SYNTHETIC MATERIALS ARE SOMETIMES AFFECTED BY CONDENSATION, THIS SHOULD NOT BE CONFUSED WITH LEAKAGE AND CAN USUALLY BE CURED BY ENSURING THAT ADEQUATE VENTILATION IS AVAILABLE BY LEAVING DOORWAYS SLIGHTLY UNZIPPED WHEREVER POSSIBLE.

DO NOT PITCH UNDER TREES, MAKE USE OF NATURAL WIND BREAKS LIKE HEDGES OR WALLS, FACE THE TENT DOOR AWAY FROM THE PREVAILING WIND. USE TWO HANDS WHEN OPENING AND CLOSING ZIPS, THIS WILL HELP PREVENT PREMATURE ZIP FAILURE.

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FIRE PRECAUTIONS INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THE INSIDE OF THE TENT.

### **CARE OF YOUR TENT *WARNING!!***

TENT FABRICS CAN BE WEAKENED BY PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO SUNLIGHT, UNDER NORMAL HOLIDAY USE YOUR TENT WILL GIVE YOU LONG SERVICE BUT ERECTION FOR EXTENDED PERIODS IN STRONG SUNLIGHT WILL CAUSE DETERIORATION.

IF YOU ARE LIKELY TO USE YOUR TENT FOR PROLONGED PERIODS IT WOULD BE WISE TO USE A SITE WHICH IS A SHADED AS POSSIBLE.

TENTS ARE BEST STORED OPENED OUT, IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE AIR FULLY AND ENSURE IT IS TOTALLY DRY BEFORE PACKING IT AWAY AT THE END OF YOUR HOLIDAY.

STORE YOUR TENT IN A WELL VENTILATED DRY PLACE. LOOK AFTER YOUR TENT AND IT WILL LOOK AFTER YOU.

HAVE ANY DAMAGE TO YOUR TENT REPAIRED AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY.

FAILURES IN FIBERGLASS POLES NORMALLY OCCUR THROUGH INCORRECT USE, MAKE SURE THE POLE SECTIONS ARE FULLY INSERTED INTO THEIR ADJOINING FERULES AND DO NOT OVER STRESS THE POLE BEYOND IT'S DESIGNED CURVED. ZIPS SHOULD BE TREATED WITH CARE TO PREVENT PREMATURE FAILURE AND THE TENT SHOULD BE KEPT CLEAN AND DRY AFTER USE.

## **INSURANCE**

WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOUR TENT BE INSURED AGAINST THEFT AND STORM OR ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE. STORM OR ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE IS NOT COVERED BY THE WARRANTY.

CHECK YOUR EQUIPMENT BEFORE GOING AWAY WITH YOUR TENT. ENSURE THAT YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE PITCHING OF THE TENT AND THAT ALL PARTS ARE PRESENT.

YOU SHOULD FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE TENT, INCLUDING ANY LIMITATIONS THAT IT MAY HAVE FOR YOUR PARTICULAR USE.

DOMES TENTS ARE PORTABLE STRUCTURES WHICH UNDER MOST CIRCUMSTANCES WILL PROVIDE COMFORTABLE SHELTER AGAINST THE ELEMENTS. THERE ARE HOWEVER EXTREMES OF WEATHER FOR WHICH ALLOWANCES SHOULD BE MADE.

**DO NOT BLAME THE TENT !**

## **ERECTING YOUR TENT**

1: REMOVE THE CONTENTS OF THE CARRY BAG AND IDENTIFY ALL THE COMPONENT PARTS.

- INNER TENT
- FLYSHEET
- POLE BAG AND CONTENTS
- PEG BAG AND CONTENTS

2: SELECT A SITE THAT IS CLEAR OF ANY SHARP OBJECTS, STICKS AND STONES E.T.C

3: IN THE POLE BAG, SHOULD BE

TWO SETS OF MAIN SHOCKCORDED FIBERGLASS POLES.

ASSEMBLE BOTH SHOCKCORDED POLES.

LAY THE INNER TENT OUT ON THE FLOOR SO YOU CAN SEE THE MAIN POLE SLEEVES RUNNING DIAGONALLY ACROSS THE INNER TENT.

TAKING ONE OF THE MAIN POLES, THREAD THE POLE THROUGH THE POLE SLEEVES ON THE INNER TENT, IN A DIAGONAL FASHION, FROM ONE CORNER TO THE OPPOSITE CORNER SO AN EQUAL AMOUNT OF POLE IS PROTRUDING FROM EITHER SIDE OF THE END POLE SLEEVES.

REPEAT THIS WITH THE REMAINING POLE.

*ENSURE CARE IS TAKEN DURING THIS PROCEDURE, NOT TO ALLOW THE ENDS OF THE SHOCKCORDED POLES TO DAMAGE SLEEVES OR INNER TENT MATERIAL.*

4: ONCE THE TWO POLES ARE THREADED INTO PLACE ; CHOOSE ONE OF THE TWO POLES AND ENGAGE THE END FERRULE INTO THE WEBBING RETAINING FIXTURE OR EYELET, THIS WILL BE LOCATED AT THE BASE OF THE INNERTENT, NEAR TO THE SEAM RUNNING DOWN FROM THE SLEEVE IN WHICH THE POLE IS LOCATED. EACH POLE RETAINING FIXTURE WILL HAVE A METAL RING WITH ONE OR MORE RETAINING PINS ATTACHED TO IT ( DEPENDANT UPON MODEL ).

THE RETAINING PIN IS DESIGNED TO SLIDE UP INSIDE THE POLE ENDS THUS SECURING THE POLE INTO PLACE.

FROM THE OPPOSITE END OF THE SAME POLE CAREFULLY PUSH THE REMAINING POLE THROUGH THE SLEEVES SO IT ASSUMES A SEMI-CIRCULAR SHAPE. WHEN THE END FERRULE IS LEVEL TO THE WEBBING RETAINING FIXTURE OR EYELET ON THIS SIDE, ENGAGE IT INTO PLACE AS BEFORE.

5: TAKING THE SECOND POLE AND REPEAT POINT 4.

*DURING BOTH POINTS 4 & 5 ENSURE THAT THE POLE JOINING FERRULES DO NOT CATCH ON THE INSIDE OR EDGE OF THE MATERIAL SLEEVES. SHOULD THIS HAPPEN CAREFULLY FREE THE SLEEVE BEFORE CONTINUING. FAILURE TO FREE THE SLEEVE MAY CAUSE THE MATERIAL TO TEAR AND OR STITCHED SEAMS TO BURST.*

IN SOME CASES, THE INNER TENT POLE SLEEVES DO NOT CONTINUE ALL OF THE WAY DOWN TO THE GROUNDSHEET SECTION SO IF THIS IS THE CASE YOU SHOULD ATTACH ANY INNER TENT WEBBING TO POLE CLIPS. THESE WILL BE FOUND DOWN THE CORNER SEAMS OF THE INNER TENT AND SIMPLY CLIP DIRECTLY ONTO THE SHOCKCORDED POLES. IF THE POLE SLEEVE DOES GO ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE BASE OF THE INNER TENT THESE CLIPS WILL NOT BE PRESENT.

TIE THE TWO POLES TOGETHER WHERE THEY CROSS EACH OTHER WITH THE TWO TIE TAPES SITUATED ON THE CENTER ROOF OF THE INNER TENT.

6: THE INNER TENT SHOULD NOW BE FREE STANDING AND CAN BE POSITIONED READY FOR PEGGING. PLACE THE FRONT DOOR SO IT IS FACING AWAY FROM PREVAILING WIND. USING THE PEGS PROVIDED PEG ALL THE INNER TENT PEGGING LOOPS TO THE GROUND.

7: UNFOLD THE FLYSHEET OF THE TENT AND PLACE OVER THE INNER TENT. ENSURE THAT THE DOORWAY OF THE FLYSHEET IS PLACED ON THE SAME SIDE AS THE DOORWAY ON THE INNER TENT.

YOU WILL NOTICE THAT THERE ARE TRIANGULAR GUY POINTS ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE FLYSHEET THESE MATCH WITH TIE TAPES OR VELCRO TABS AT THE SAME POSITION BUT ON THE INSIDE OF THE FLYSHEET. THERE IS ALSO A TIE TAPE ON THE CENTRAL ROOF SECTION OF THE FLYSHEET, THIS WILL BE ON IT'S OWN AND WILL NOT HAVE A TRIANGULAR GUY POINT ON THE OUTSIDE.

SECURE THE TAPES / VELCRO TABS AROUND THE MAIN POLES OF THE INNER TENT SECURELY. ( IF YOU HAVE TEMPORALLY PEGGED THE FLYSHEET YOU SHOULD REMOVE THE PEGS ) MAKE SURE THAT THE HEIGHT YOU HAVE TIED THEM AT WILL ALLOW BOTH THE BASE OF THE FLYSHEET TO BE PEGGED AND THE OVERALL LAY OF THE FLYSHEET OVER THE TENT TO BE SMOOTH AND FREE OF WRINKLES OR FOLDS IN THE MATERIAL.

8: CLOSE ALL ZIPS ON THE FLYSHEET AND USING THE PEGS PROVIDED PEG ALL THE FLYSHEET PEGGING POINTS TO THE GROUND. AGAIN ENSURE THAT THE OVERALL LAY OF THE FLYSHEET IS SMOOTH WHEN PEGGED. THE FLYSHEET SHOULD BE TAUGHT BUT NOT OVER-TENSIONED, AS THIS WILL ONLY DISTORT THE FIBERGLASS POLES AND SUBSEQUENTLY AFFECT STABILITY.

*THE PEGS PROVIDED WITH THIS TENT ARE STANDARD PEGS, SUITABLE FOR MOST TERRAIN'S. HOWEVER THERE WILL BE OCCASIONS WHEN THE GROUND MAY BE FAR TOO HARD OR ROCKY AND EQUALLY TOO BOGGY OR SANDY. IN THIS INSTANCE SPECIALIST PEGS CAN BE PURCHASED THROUGH YOUR LOCAL RETAILER AND **SHOULD** BE USED*

9: FINALLY PEG ALL GUY POINTS AT A SUITABLE DISTANCE FROM THE TENT. TRY NOT TO PEG TOO CLOSE TO THE TENT AS THIS WILL NOT GIVE ADEQUATE SUPPORT AND MAY CAUSE THE FABRIC UNDER THE GUY POINT ITSELF TO BECOME BAGGY OR LOOSE THUS ALLOWING INNER AND OUTER TO TOUCH.

YOUR TENT IS NOW READY FOR USE, ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY.

*AS WEATHER CONDITIONS CAN CHANGE BOTH DRAMATICALLY AND QUICKLY WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU PITCH YOUR TENT READY TO ACCEPT ANY INCLEMENT WEATHER CONDITIONS.*

## **TAKING YOUR TENT DOWN**

STRIKING CAMP IS BASICALLY A COMPLETE REVERSAL OF THE ERECTION PROCEDURE. CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN WHEN RELEASING SHOCKCORDED POLES FROM THEIR MOUNTINGS AS THE TENSION IN THE POLE CAN CAUSE DAMAGE OR INJURY IF THE POLE IS NOT DISMANTLED IN A CONTROLLED MANNER.

IT IS ALWAYS EASIER TO PUSH SHOCKCORDED POLES THROUGH AND OUT OF THE SLEEVES RATHER THAN TO TRY AND PULL THEM THROUGH. AGAIN TAKE CARE NOT TO DAMAGE THE SLEEVES WITH THE POLE ENDS OR FERRULES WHILST REMOVING THEM FROM THE FLYSHEET.

IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO STRIKE CAMP WHEN YOUR TENT IS COMPLETELY DRY, HOWEVER THIS IS NOT ALWAYS POSSIBLE.

SHOULD YOU HAVE TO TAKE YOUR TENT DOWN WET, THEN IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT IT IS DRIED OUT COMPLETELY WITHIN 24 HOURS. ***A WET TENT WILL GO MOULDY CAUSING IRREPARABLE DAMAGE TO COTTON COMPONENTS.***

## **FOLDING YOUR TENT**

1: IN ORDER TO MAKE A NEAT AND TIDY PACKAGE, THAT WILL FIT EASILY INTO THE OUTER BAG, ALWAYS HAVE THE OUTER BAG CLOSE AT HAND WHILST YOU ARE FOLDING THE TENT UP.

2: IT IS BETTER TO FOLD THE FLYSHEET UP FIRST, INTO A LONG RECTANGLE. MAKE THE RECTANGLE APPROXIMATELY 10 CMS SHORTER IN WIDTH THAN THE OUTER BAG.

3: AFTER BRUSHING OR WIPING THE INNER TENT GROUND SHEET TO ENSURE IT IS CLEAN AND DRY, PLACE THE FLYSHEET ON TOP OF THE INNER TENT.

4: FOLD THE EDGES OF THE GROUND SHEET IN SO TO COVER THE FLYSHEET IN THE MIDDLE, MAKE SURE THAT THE OVERALL PACKAGE IS AGAIN ABOUT 10 CMS SHORTER IN WIDTH THAN THE OUTER BAG.

5: ROLL THE PACKAGE UP, ROLLING TOWARDS THE DOOR END OF THE INNER TENT IN ORDER TO ALLOW TRAPPED AIR TO ESCAPE.

WHEN YOU HAVE ROLLED THE PACKAGE UP SECURE IT WITH THE ORIGINAL TIE TAPES SUPPLIED.