

ERECTION INSTRUCTIONS **FOR MONTPELLIER 8** **SUN AWNING**

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 AS 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 CURVE. 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 BAGS AND IDENTIFY ALL THE COMPONENT PARTS.

- SUN AWNING FLYSHEET
- POLE BAG AND CONTENTS
- PEG BAG AND CONTENTS

2: CLEAR THE AREA OF SHARP STICKS / STONES E.C.T WHERE THE AWNING WILL BE ERECTED

3: IN THE POLE BAG, SHOULD BE :-

2 X PRECURVED METAL ROOF POLE SETS.

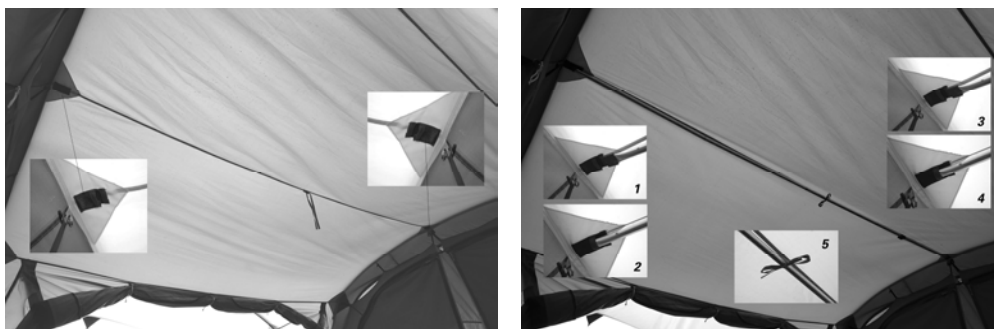
4 X METAL LONG POLE UPRIGHTS

1 X STEEL ADJUSTABLE ROOF SUPPORT POLE.

4/ IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THE ROOF SECTION OF YOUR MONTPELLIER TENT YOU NEED TO FIT THE INTERNAL STEEL ADJUSTABLE SUPPORT POLE SUPPLIED WITH THE AWNING, INTO THE ROOF SECTION OF YOUR TENT.

IN THE MAIN ROOF SECTION OF YOUR MONTPELLIER TENT YOU WILL SEE 2 REINFORCED WEBBING POLE POCKETS ON EACH SIDE OF THE CENTRAL ROOF SEAM. THESE ARE DESIGNED TO HOLD THE POLE ENDS OF THE STEEL ROOF POLE.

THE PICTURE AND DIAGRAM BELOW SHOW THE LOCATION OF THE POCKETS AND POLES ONCE FITTED.



THE STEEL ROOF POLE HAS TWO FLAT 'SPADE' LIKE ENDS, ONE IS ON THE ADJUSTABLE SECTION, THE OTHER IS ON THE OPPOSITE END. UNLOCK THE CLAMP ON THE ADJUSTABLE END, THEN LOCATE THE FLAT SPADE END ON THE NON ADJUSTABLE SECTION INTO ONE OF THE CENTRAL TOP WEBBING POCKETS.

LOCATE THE OTHER FLAT 'SPADE' END INTO THE OPPOSITE WEBBING POCKET AND THEN EXTEND THE POLE SO BOTH FLAT 'SPADE' ENDS ARE FIRMLY SEATED INTO THE WEBBING POCKETS. NOW LOCK THE CLAMP SO THE POLE IS SECURELY LOCATED INTO THE CENTRAL ROOF SECTION.

WITH THE ROOF POLE LOCATED AND THE CLAMP LOCKED NOW SECURE THE CENTRAL ROOF TIE AROUND THE ROOF POLE.

5: UNFOLD THE FLYSHEET AND SPREAD OUT ON THE FLOOR SO YOU ARE ABLE TO SEE THE TWO SLEEVE SECTIONS OF THE ROOF.

LOCATE ONE OF THE PRECURVED ROOF POLES (IF THE POLE HAS A COLOURED STICKER ON THE END MATCH THIS WITH THE TRIM COLOUR ON THE POLE SLEEVE – THIS ENSURES YOU ARE THREADING THE POLE THROUGH THE CORRECT SLEEVE)

STARTING AT THE FRONT OF THE FLYSHEET, THREAD THE PRECURVED POLE THROUGH THE SLEEVE SECTION RUNNING ACROSS THE ROOF.

ENSURE CARE IS TAKEN DURING THIS PROCEDURE, NOT TO ALLOW THE ENDS OR JOINTS OF THE POLES TO DAMAGE SLEEVES OR FLYSHEET MATERIAL.

TAKE ONE OF THE ASSEMBLED METAL MAIN POLE UPRIGHTS AND CHOOSING ONE SIDE OF THE ROOF POLE ENGAGE THE FERRELLED END INTO THE OPEN END OF THE METAL ANGLE BRACKET ON THAT SIDE.

THE BASE OF THE UPRIGHT POLE THEN ENGAGES ONTO THE RING AND PIN FIXTURE. THIS WILL BE LOCATED AT THE BASE OF THE FLYSHEET, 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 PLASTIC POLE END BUNG THUS SECURING THE POLE INTO PLACE.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE ROOF SLEEVE IS NOT TRAPPED OR CAUGHT OVER ANY OF THE UPRIGHT OR ROOF POLE JOINTS.

USING A FURTHER METAL MAIN POLE UPRIGHT REPEAT FOR THE OPPOSITE SIDE.

RUNNING DOWN THE SEAM, FROM THE SLEEVE, ON EACH SIDE OF THE FLYSHEET YOU WILL NOTICE THREE FLYSHEET TO MAIN POLE WEBBING CLIPS. ALL THESE, SHOULD SIMPLY BE CLIPPED TO THE METAL MAIN POLES ALLOWING THE FLYSHEET TO TAKE FULL SHAPE. *PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE ARE NOT INTENDED AS GUY POINT FIXINGS.*

THEN LAY THE ASSEMBLED POLE SECTIONS AND FLYSHEET DOWN ON THE GROUND.

6: TAKING THE REMAINING METAL MAIN POLE UPRIGHTS AND PRECURVED ROOF POLE, REPEAT POINT 4.

DURING BOTH POINTS 4 & 5 ENSURE THAT THE POLE JOINTS AND METAL POLE ENDS 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.

7: THE FLYSHEET SHOULD NOW BE READY FOR FITTING TO YOUR TENT. THE SUN AWNING IS DESIGNED TO FIT THE MONTPELLIER 8 TENT, OR SIMILAR SHAPED TENTS. THE AWNING SHOULD BE POSITIONED CENTRALLY IN FRONT OF THE DOOR OF THE TENT. ON THE REAR OF THE SUN AWNING IS A CONNETCING GUSSETT WITH GUY ROPES ON EACH CORNER. THE GUSSETT SHOULD BE PASSED OVER THE TENT AND THE GUY ROPES TEMPORARILY ADJUSTED AND PEGGED TO HOLD THE AWNING UPRIGHT AGAINST THE SIDE OF THE MAIN TENT. POSITION THE FEET OF THE POLES NEAREST TO THE MAIN TENT AS CLOSE TO THE BASE OF THE FLYSHEET AS POSSIBLE. ALSO AT THIS POINT ENSURE THAT THE AWNING IS POSITIONED CENTRALLY IN FRONT OF THE DOOR AND THE WEBBING STRAP BEWTEEN THE TWO REAR POLES IS FLAT AND STRAIGHT. PULL THE FRONT POLE SECTIONS OUT SO THAT THE AWNING STARTS TO TAKE SHAPE AND AGAIN USING TWO OF THE FRONT GUY ROPES ADJUST THE LENGTH AND PEG OUT SO THE AWNING HOLDS ITS SHAPE. ENSURE THE WEBBING STRAP BETWEEN THE TWO FRONT POLES IS ALSO STRAIGHT AND FLAT. IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO ENSURE THAT THE GUSSETT SECTION THAT IS OVER THE MAIN TENT IS CORRECTLY POSITIONED OVER THE MAIN POLES EITHER SIDE OF THE DOOR ON THE MAIN TENT. THE EDGES OF THE GUSSETT ON EACH SIDE SHOULD RUN OVER THE POLE SLEEVES AND SIT TIGHTLY AGAINST THE MAIN TENT FABRIC. IF THE GUSSETT SECTION FALLS IN BETWEEN THE TWO MAIN POLES EITHER SIDE OF THE DOOR ON THE MAIN TENT THEN REPOSITION ACCORDINGLY. AS SHOWN.



ONCE YOU ARE SATISFIED WITH THE OVERALL LAY OF THE FLYSHEET YOU CAN THEN AND ONLY THEN PEG THE REMAINING GUY ROPE AND PEGGING LOOPS INTO POSITION.

LOCATE ALL THE GUYING POINTS AND PEG SECURELY, 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.

*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*

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

TAKING YOUR AWNING DOWN

STRIKING CAMP IS BASICALLY A COMPLETE REVERSAL OF THE ERECTION PROCEDURE.

CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN WHEN RELEASING 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 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 AWNING

1: IN ORDER TO MAKE A NEAT AND TIDY PACKAGE, THAT WILL FIT EASILY INTO THE OUTER CARRY BAGS, ALWAYS HAVE THE OUTER BAGS 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 TENT GROUNDSHEET TO ENSURE IT IS CLEAN AND DRY, POSITION THE FLYSHEET ON THE GROUND READY FOR FOLDING.

4: FOLD THE EDGES OF THE GROUNDSHEET 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 ONE OF THE VENT ENDS OF THE TENT IN ORDER TO ALLOW TRAPPED AIR TO ESCAPE.
WHEN YOU HAVE ROLLED THE PACKAGE UP SECURE IT WITH THE ORIGINAL TIE TAPES SUPPLIED.