

ENTERPRISE 1PITCHING INSTRUCTIONS

Care and advice

Please read this guide carefully before attempting to pitch your tent

- Keep in a safe place for future reference. If used properly, your tent should serve you well
 for years of trouble free use. We recommend that your tent is insured against accidental
 and storm damage as this is not covered by the warranty. These tents are not designed
 to withstand storm conditions. In adverse weather it is recommended these tents are
 packed away to avoid possible damage.
- 2. Select the campsite and position the tent. Open the bag and as you take out the tent look at the way it has been packed. This will help you when you come to repack it. When selecting your campsite, the ideal place would be an area as even and clean of rocks, branches and other sharp objects as possible. Spread out the tent and place it with the door in the desired direction, avoid placing the tent directly under trees, and position it with the door facing away from any breeze. Get the most out of your camping trip by having a trial run, putting up and taking down your new tent in order to know it before you use it for the first time.
- 3. Under some weather conditions, condensation can occur on the inside surfaces of your tent. To help prevent this you must remove any wet clothes, towels etc and increase the ventilation. Ensuring the lower vents are open and the inner door covers are open exposing the mesh door panels will help. Condensation should not be confused with leakage. Do not place foam squabs or non bonded mats directly onto the tent floor as this will cause condensation and can lead to mildew forming. Condensation and mildew are not covered by the guarantee.
- 4. Do not use an open flame, gas appliances or cook inside your tent. The fabric has been treated with a fire retardant but the tent is not fire proof. Cooking inside your tent also creates moisture which can cause condensation and mildew.
- 5. When erecting your tent, do not secure it too tightly, otherwise it will not be able to adapt to varying wind and weather conditions. Ensure all guy ropes are used at all times. Only remove tent pegs by pulling on the peg itself. Never pull on the webbing loops or tent itself as this could result in damage to the tent. For stony or very soft sandy type ground additional/alternative pegs may be required. Insecticides, hairsprays etc must not be sprayed in or near the tent as they may damage the fabric and coating! When taking down and packing the tent, it and the poles and pegs must be completely dry to avoid corrosion and mildew forming. Remove dirt from the tent with a soft sponge and pure water. Store the tent in a dry place. Do not store directly on a floor in a garage or out building, especially on concrete. Do not needlessly leave the tent pitched. Even the best fabrics will be damaged by UV light and will shorten the life of your tent.

- 6. Air expands and contracts as it warms and cools. As the temperature falls during the night the air tubes will lose some pressure leaving them looking a little slack. This is normal and will disappear in the morning as air in the tubes expands with the rising ambient temperature. This can sometimes be mistaken for a leaking air pole.
- 7. Do not over-inflate a cold tent in the morning as there is a risk that the pressure could get too high when it gets hot during the day.
- 8. Learn how your tent behaves under different weather conditions. Squeeze the air tubes inside the tent and feel the pressure. If they seem to get too hard in the midday heat check the pressure by cracking open the inflation valve to release some air and then connect the pump and apply pressure to the recommended 7psi / 0.6 bar.
- 9. If you follow the above you will enjoy many happy camping holidays with your tent.

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Dwights Air tents represent the latest technology in family camping and are designed to make pitching fast and easy. Please read and follow these instructions to ensure your tent functions correctly and to optimise its life.

- 1. Choose a site that is flat and if possible protected from the wind. Also a site that will drain well if it rains. Avoid pitching under trees as falling branches, sap etc could damage your tent. Try to clear the site of sharp stones twigs etc which can damage the groundsheet. A footprint groundsheet is available as an optional extra. To protect your tent from dirt and damage it is recommended to use a Dwights footprint. Footprints not only protect your tent floor but also make pack down a faster and cleaner process. The ground sheet should be pegged down in the correct position first with the tent placed on top. Dwights footprints are slightly smaller than the size of the tent floor to ensure water does not collect between the two layers. When laying out and pegging the tent on top of the footprint it is very important to make sure the tent is central over the footprint. A footprint can also help to reduce condensation. Try to set your tent up facing away from any breeze.
- 2. Before unrolling your tent completely we suggest taking note of how it is folded to make it easier when it comes time to pack up. A couple of photos with your phone could prove useful. Lay the tent out in the required position. Peg each corner of the tent ensuring you have a small amount of tension between the pegs so that the floor sits as flat as possible. Unzip the doors to allow air to enter the tent as it is being inflated. If the doors are closed this can create a lot of additional stress and can damage your tent. Keep the mesh doors zipped up to help keep the tent in the correct shape as it is being inflated.
- 3. Before starting the inflation process it is very important to understand the double action pump components and how they operate. The pump comes with an overload valve which will stop the pump from over inflating the tent. The overload valve is attached to the pump first, then the pressure gauge. Next, the pump hose is connected to the pressure gauge.
- 4. Starting from one end of the tent remove the valve cap and attach the pump nozzle. Be careful to not cross thread the valve and that it is firmly screwed in to avoid leakage. Pump up each air pole to 7psi/0.6 bar. You may need to help the pole stand up so that it inflates evenly. Check that the base of each air pole is sitting correctly on the Velcro patches on the floor of the tent. Only use the hand pump supplied as this has a pressure gauge which shows the recommended pressure.

- 5. Making sure the tent is sitting evenly, peg out the remaining peg points on the floor. It may be necessary to re align the corner peg points to ensure the floor sits flat.
- 6. This tent comes with pre attached guy ropes and webbing straps which must be used at all times. It is important to not over tension the guy ropes or webbing straps as this can create excessive stress to the tent and distort its shape.

Packing your tent away

Reverse the pitching instructions to deflate and pack up the tent. Please take note to:

- 1. Loosen the inner pod webbing straps. Turn the valves letting out all the air make sure all the air escapes, the doors are unzipped and then lay the roof evenly on the floor as flat as you can as this will make the tent easier to fold.
- 2. Clean and dry all pegs before packing. The tent should be folded from the non valve side to the valve side to ensure the air can easily escape, making the roll up stage much easier.