

# KHYAM

Pitching & Striking Instructions for :-



## SUN CANOPY

Visit our YouTube Channel for an instructional video of this model

### **WARNING:**

If this tent/awning is not erected in accordance with the instructions damage could be caused to the joints, poles or fabric.

It is important that the tent/awning is properly guyed at all times, particularly in strong winds otherwise damage could occur

DO NOT PUSH TENT PEGS IN BY HAND, ALL TENT PEGS SHOULD BE DRIVEN HOME USING A WOODEN OR RUBBER MALLET

## **Component Checklist**

**Prior to assembling your new purchase please carefully check the contents to make sure you are not missing any parts.**

### **Sun Canopy**

Carry Bag

Canopy

Pegs/Peg bag

Side Panels & Front Panel sold as separate items

**If this tent/awning is not erected in accordance with the instructions damage could be caused to the AirTek Frame, poles or fabric.  
It is important that the tent/awning is properly guyed at all times, particularly in strong winds otherwise damage could occur**

When storing your tent/awning please ensure it is thoroughly aired and dry

Always store in a warm and dry environment

If you have to pack away wet, make sure you air and dry the tent/awning as soon as possible to prevent any mould or mildew forming

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU KEEP THE BOX FOR YOUR PURCHASE**

**FAULTY ITEMS CANNOT BE RETURNED WITHOUT BEING BOXED TO PREVENT DAMAGE DURING TRANSIT**

(FLAT PACK THE BOX AND STORE IT SOMEWHERE)

## Pitching your awning

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1. Slide canopy into awning rail - alternatively canopy can be fitted using a pole & clamp system fitted into a rain gutter



2. Prior to pegging out canopy lay out poles and separate according to size, 3 sections are longer, these make up the central support pole  
- This ensures the centre is slightly taller allowing water to drain away to the side



3. Once poles are assembled insert spike of pole through eyelet on corner of canopy, tie a loop on the end of the guy line and slip over the spike.  
Peg guy line out at 45 degree angle

Repeat on other corner and then fit central support pole

## Sun Canopy Side Panels (set of 2)

An optional extra are zip on Side Panels, complete with FULL PVC windows



Zip each side panel on, then peg out base of panel

## Sun Canopy Front Panel

An optional extra is the zip on Front Panel, complete with full zipped door and PVC window



Zip front panel on, peg out base and secure Velcro to Side Panels

## IMPORTANT USER HINTS

Over many years we have heard many questions and comments relating to Khyam awnings and we feel it is relevant to list various aspects of this information for your guidance.

Q, What about spares -can I get them? Yes, Spares are available directly from Tent Spares Ltd

Q. Do Air Tubes get punctures/burst -and if so what can I do?

With inflatable tents/awnings it is very rare to get a puncture, the tube is housed in a reinforced zipped casing the prevent any such damage.

However inflatable tubes if overinflated can burst or swell if pressure isn't adjusted - Hot summer day you will need less air

Spares are available through our spares agent Tent Spares Ltd.

Q. Do poles break -and if so what can I do?

It is rare that the poles break when used according to our instructions. They are extremely durable and have been tested to our exacting standards. We cannot guarantee that there will never be a breakage, but we can guarantee that we will supply any replacements required during the warranty period. Should you need to rectify a problem then poles and or joints are quickly and easily replaced. If you are travelling to remote parts of the world then spares are available to take with you at a subsidised rate to allow you the comfort of insurance without great penalty. Please contact our Warranty Dept/Tent Spares Ltd for spares

Q . How well will the awning perform in the wind?

Khyam awnings have proven on many occasions that they perform exceptionally well in windy conditions, when correctly erected.

The major factor is how well the user pegs the awning to the ground. In severe conditions we recommend increasing the air pressure in the air frame, to do this you will need to remove the black T shape release valve from the pump assembly.

The release valve prevents over inflation under normal weather conditions, by removing this valve you MUST check on the current conditions and adjust pressure accordingly.

For strong winds we recommend increasing to around 8-9psi.

Q . Are Khyam awnings water resistant?

All Khyam flysheet fabrics are coated to withstand in excess of 5000mm head of water in the hydrostatic head test. This is a measure by which we can test the resistance of water penetration. This is the measurement when the fabric is new and in use over a period of time this level will drop. The majority of seams on your Khyam awning flysheet have been seam taped during manufacture. However it is sometimes not possible, due to the nature of some materials used and sewing methods employed, to fully seal all seams. It may therefore, in some circumstances, be necessary to manually seal certain seams with the sealant provided. Should you find any 'drips' or 'wicking', first locate the exact position where the water is penetrating the flysheet. Remember this may be at a higher point than the drip, as the water may roll along the inside of the flysheet until it finds a place to 'pool' and form a drip. Once the point of the water ingress is found, note this position and using the brush or pad provided with the sealant, apply the sealant to the seam. The flysheet should be clean and dry before the sealant is applied. Work the sealant well into the stitch holes and the sewing thread in the area of the water ingress. We recommend sealing the seam at least 5cm above and below the point of water ingress. Please note that due to the 'wicking effect' you may find that water penetrates seams that have been tape sealed. Water can, in some circumstances 'wick' along the sewing threads which run under the seam tape. So it is very important to work the sealant well into the stitch holes and thread in that area to prevent water soaking into the sewing thread itself. On no account should the 'teeth' of zips on the flysheet or inner awning be sealed. Please allow at least 48 hours for the sealant to cure.

The awning should never be packed away until the sealant is completely dry.

If your awning or tent is missing the sealant please get in touch and we will post some out to you.

When storing your awning please ensure it is thoroughly aired and dried. Always store your awning in a warm and dry environment.

## **OTHER USEFUL POINTS TO BEAR IN MIND.**

1. Never remove pegs by pulling up on the poles or fabric by doing this you may damage the pole or awning invalidating the guarantee. Always use a peg puller or another peg
2. There is a repair kit included with the awning.
3. All synthetic fabrics will fade over a period of time. This is caused by Ultra-violet rays present in sunlight and atmospheric pollution. The weakening of fabrics, which can be very dramatic, is dependent upon the frequency of use and the conditions during use. Recent loss of the ozone layer will increase this kind of degradation. With normal weekend and holiday use, your awning will give you good service if well looked after, but extended periods of use in bright sunlight can cause this type of dramatic degradation.

If such use is envisaged, then it would be wise to seek a site, which is as shaded as possible. The better the awning is looked after the longer will be its life. Because of this it is not possible for us to neither predict nor guarantee the life of any synthetic fabric.

Awning fabrics are capable of being reproofed. Always follow relevant proofing manufactures instructions when reproofing your awning. Periodic application of a Reproofing agent containing UV Protection can help to combat this issue and extend the lifetime of your product - we would recommend Nikwax Solar Proof

4. A common problem experienced by many campers is condensation. This is caused by moisture in the atmosphere forming beads or droplets of water when coming into contact with a cold surface. This may form on the walls of the inner awning but more likely on the inside on the flysheet. Condensation can also occur on the groundsheet of the awning particularly under air mattresses, bedrolls and other equipment. Always ensure that the stone protection sheet does not protrude beyond the edge of the flysheet. The storing of wet clothing and other wet articles inside the awning will also increase the likelihood of condensation. To reduce condensation as a whole, never cook in your awning and ensure that the awning is well ventilated at all times.

5. Do not put your tent away wet or damp for any length of time as this can create mildew. When packing away your tent at the end of the season ensure that it is thoroughly aired and dried out.

6. If a hanging loop is provided inside the inner tent this must only be used for lightweight items such as a small battery torch. On no account should any naked flame (e.g. a Gas Lamp) or other hot objects be suspended from this point.

7. NEVER COOK IN YOUR TENT, SYNTHETIC FABRICS WILL MELT AND MAY CATCH FIRE IF THEY COME INTO CONTACT WITH A FLAME OR VERY HOT OBJECT. ALWAYS TAKE EXTREME CARE WHEN COOKING NEAR YOUR TENT, EG SPARKS FROM A BARBECUE, CAMP FIRE, ETC NEVER USE A STOVE / BBQ INSIDE THE TENT OR INNER TENT.