

STANSPORT TENT TIPS

Item No. 744

“Vertex” Dome Tent with Rain-Fly

Thank you for taking Stansport outdoors. We hope you enjoy your new tent and that it will give you many years of camping pleasure. We encourage you to read and understand each step of the set-up instructions prior to working with the tent. DO NOT APPLY EXCESSIVE FORCE TO ANY PART OF THE TENT POLES DURING SET UP.

WATERPROOFING YOUR TENT

STANSPORT Tents are made from coated water repellent fabrics. However, the sewing process necessary in all tent fabrication, can cause water leakage where the sewing needles have perforated the fabric in the seams. Without treatment, the tent will leak. Every new tent needs to be seam sealed to make it water tight. Seam sealer can be located at your local outdoor outfitter or camping store. We recommend sealing the outside of the floor and rain-fly twice and the underside of the fly and the inside floor once. When finished, let the tent stand and dry for 6 to 12 hours before putting it away.

1) BEGINNING SET UP

Assemble the 2 long sets of shock-corded poles. Now, spread the tent out on the ground until it is opened completely. Remove the rain-fly and set it aside. Locate the sleeves at the top (center) of the tent and feed the two long poles through the sleeves diagonally across the tent. The poles should now criss-cross.

Locate a pin and ring set at one of the corners. Now, take any one of the two long pole arcs and place the aluminum ferrule (at the end of the pole) onto the pin. Following the plastic clips across the tent in a straight line, locate the pin and ring set directly opposite the one your pole is connected to. Now place the other end of the pole arc over the pin. Repeat this procedure with the other remaining pole arc. Once both pole arcs are attached and in place you are ready to lift them up and begin connecting the clips.

2) SETTING UP THE TENT

Locate the front door and unzip it so that the door is open. Now, locate the first lower nylon clip along the seam that the pole arc follows and clip it to the pole. Continue following the tent seam, connecting clips to the tent pole as you go. Once the majority of the clips are attached the poles will be easier to manage. Adjust any clips that look out of place. Note: If you are alone, set-up will take more time and patience.

3) RAIN FLY INSTALLATION

Spread the rain-fly out upside down. Assemble the (short) remaining set of shock-corded poles. Place the ends of the fly pole into the web pockets at opposite edges of the fly. Tie the nylon straps at the center of the fly and at any other locations around the fly pole. When this is done turn the fly right side up and put the rain-fly on top of the tent body. The fly pole should stick out over window and door. Now, locate the black nylon S-hooks attached to the fly's shock cord at the corners and secure them to the appropriate aluminum rings at each corner.

4) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Make sure to stake down the tent (with the tent stakes included) in windy weather, or if you anticipate afternoon winds coming up while you are away from your campsite. Always place your tent a safe distance from your campfire. Unstaked tents placed upwind of the fire can be blown into the fire. Tents placed downwind of the fire are often showered with tiny sparks that can burn holes in the lightweight fabrics of the tent. We recommend that you practice setting up your tent at home before taking it into the wilderness.

5) MILDEW

Mildew is likely to form if a tent is rolled wet for more than a few days. Mildew can cause delamination between fabric and waterproof coating as well as staining on your tent. Prompt cleaning and drying is the only way to prevent the growth of mildew. Staining is irreversible.

6) WARNING

STANSPORT tent fabrics are flame retardant treated per CPAI-84. However, for your safety, we recommend that no open flame be used in or near your tent.

