



Why you can't find your poles, and other useful information about your wall tent.....

#### A Step Back In Time

With all of today's fancy campers and motor homes, the interest still remains in the lore of "real camping". The use of a wall tent contributes to this feeling. We like to think of it as a step back to unhurried times, a reflection of grandpa's stories of how it used to be, cowboy coffee, beans n bacon, and tall tales around a camp fire.

#### Over 200 Years of Experience

The wall tent of today hasn't changed much from the ones of 200 years ago. The basic design remains the same, as well as the manner of construction. The minor changes of today are in the use of longer wearing synthetic fibers in the fabric, as well as the webbing.

#### Why You Can't Find The Poles

The poles are not included with your tent, because, traditionally poles are created in the field. The manner of erection is universal in that a large "A" is required at each end, with a ridge going through the inside peak extending out each end. The ridge pole then rests on, and is attached to the top of the "A" poles. Guying out the eve lines completes your set-up.

#### Make Sure You Can Cut Poles

Some areas don't permit cutting of poles, which means that you must rely on a pre-fab assembly that has to be packed into your site. Checking with local forestry personnel can clear up any problems before they arise.

#### Pre-Shrink Your Tent Before Use

Pre-shrink you ten before using it for the first time by lonely setting it up hosing it down with clean water. Then let it dry naturally. Pre-Shaking closes the holes in the pores of the fabric, and is a very important step if you wish to apply waterproofing, pr pre-fab a pole assembly. For maximum effectiveness we recommend that you pre-shrink your tent three times.

#### How to Avoid Mildew and Other Damage

As the new owners of a war tent, you must avoid a constant enemy MILDEW. Never store your tent damp. Dry it out completely and clean off all leaves, grass, bird droppings, and pitch. When cooking inside your tent, protect the fabric from splatters of grease, as this can attract rodents while your tent is in storage, and can damage the waterproof ability.

#### Other Camp Set-Up Tips.

The use of common sense in your camp, and the way you set it up will save you much grief. Ditch for drainage away from the tent. Never leave camp with a fire going. Keep all stock away from guy ropes. Fill stoves and lanterns outside. Have a shovel and bucket full of water handy. Store extra fuel away from tent. To eliminate animals which spell trouble for you and your camp, never leave camp with open food containers setting around. Pack out all of your garbage.

#### Things You Should Have in Camp

Listed below are some common items that most wall tenters have found useful in setting up housekeeping, and adding to their comfort in the remote areas of the great outdoors. Bucket, Shovel, Hatchet, Axe, Folding Limb Saw, Nailing Wire or Tie Wire, Duct Tape, Cooking Foil, Coat Hangers, Nails, 100-foot of 1/4" Rope, Large Safety Pins, Bucket or Water Carrier, and First Aid Kit.

#### Be Extremely Careful with Stoves, Lanterns and Heaters

Things that create heat pose a variety of hazards o the tent user, as well as the entire camp. A stove in a tent requires very careful planning to eliminate any chance of fire. Even the standard Coleman lantern can create enough heat to cause a fire if left too close to fabric or other combustibles. Never leave anything to chance where heat and a tent are concerned.

#### Other Advantages of Wall Tents That Make For Happy Camping

Anyone can set-up one of those small dome tents and spend a rainy day bent low inside. The Real value of your wall tent will show itself that first nasty day. You and your group will be cozy inside, able to walk and move around, sit up and play at a card table. You'll have a smile on your face, while the bent over bunch will look and feel miserable.

#### Did You Get a Big Enough Wall Tent?

It is easy to make the mistake of buying a tent smaller that you can use. Planning ahead by placing all your gear, including a table, if you wish, on a spot and checking the size, will help you get a better understanding of the size needed. A 5-foot wall will give you about 20% more walk around room that one with a four foot wall. Our advice,.... go for as much comfort as you can.

#### HAVE A GREAT TIME!

We make a set of joint for our wall tents, and 1 3/8" rail fence tubing. All joints are powder coated and manufactured to be used with 1 3/8" (outside diameter) top rail chain link fence. This tubing is available at most hardware stores and all fence dealers. The only tools needed to finish your framework will be a hacksaw or tubing cutter, tape measure, and a file to smooth off the rough edges. The standard joint set will set up our wall tents from 8' X 10', 10' X 12', 12' x 14', 14' x 16', but beware that they may not fit other manufactures tents.