Wall Tent Set Up & Care Instructions

Congratulations on the purchase of your new Colorado Tent!
Your Wall Tent frame includes color coded poles for easy set up.

- Wall (Side) Poles: Red
- Roof / Rafter Poles: Blue
- Ridge & Eave Poles: Yellow

NOTE: New tents may sometimes leak when they are initially exposed to moisture. You may consider preconditioning your tent by setting it up and soaking it to shrink the needle holes tighter against the thread.

Setting up your Colorado Tent- Wall Tent

Roof

1. Sort all frame pieces by color into three piles (Red, Blue and Yellow). Also, sort out the 3-way couplers (ends) and 4-way couplers (middles)

2. Remove rocks and sticks in set up area.

3. Determine what will be the front of your wall tent.

4. Lay out the Ridge / Eave poles where and how you want the tent oriented.

5. Lay out the 3-way and 4-way couplers.

6. Assemble the Ridge poles (two of the Ridge poles will have a hole on one outside end; two of the 3-way couplers will have an eye bolt attachment). As you put the Ridge pole into the couplers, slide the eye bolts through the Ridge pole
section, tightening the nut lightly, to hold the pieces together. Assemble the two
Eave pole sections on either side of the Ridge pole.

7. Attach the Roof / Rafter poles to the Ridge / Eave sections (creating your roof).
   Assemble one side at a time – this works best.

8. Look down the frame to make sure all the Ridge / Eave and Roof / Rafter poles
   are in-line and properly positioned in the couplers.

Tent Canvas

9. Once the roof is together and the frame is low to the ground or “stubbed”, pull the
tent over the roof making sure to orient the front door as desired. (Tie up the
Stove Pipe Shield flap if you are using a stove.) Spread the tent out over the
frame by pulling the sides toward each corner while centering the tent over the
frame. At each end of the tent, on the ridge, is a grommet. The eye bolt
attached earlier to the Ridge pole is used to secure the tent to the frame.
Unscrew the eye bolt, put it through the grommet in the tent and the Ridge pole.
Tighten the eye bolt so the locking nut has some play.

10. If using a tent fly, orient it over the tent at this time.

Walls (Sides)

11. Lift up one side of the frame and attach the Wall / Side poles to the Eaves.
    Repeat this on the other side. The frame is up!
12. Pull the sides (walls) of the tent down over the frame, keeping it even as you pull.
   Work it over the frame gradually.
13. Now that the tent is on the frame, make any adjustments to square and even the
tent. (If necessary, the tent can still be moved at this point.)
14. Loosely stake down one side of the tent fly at this time.
15. Make loops of the small ropes (a pre-tied sample rope is included) and put them
   through the grommets at the bottom of the tent. Place the stakes through the
   rope loops, staking down the perimeter of the tent.
16. In line with each grommet on the eave of the tent, place a stake in the ground 3' -
   4' from the tent. Tie the longer ropes to the eave grommets and place the
   adjustable end over the stake positioned earlier. Adjust the tension on the wall
   ropes until they are taught. Make sure all the stakes are pounded in so that the
   top of the stake is touching the ground. (About 2” of the stake top should be
   visible above ground.)

Taking down your Colorado Tent

1. Our tents are designed to withstand reasonable wind and snow. However, we
   strongly suggest you do not leave your tent unattended in severe weather
   conditions.
2. Unzip your door zippers.
3. Fold your walls to the inside so the interior of your tent always touches the inside of the walls to keep the interior of your tent cleaner.

4. Take the tent down in reverse order of assembly.

**Tent Care**

- **Zipper Maintenance:** Always have zippers unzipped when placing/removing tent over frame to prevent too much stress on zipper.
- **Mildew:** If you have mildew on your canvas wall tent mix 2 cups of bleach in a 5 gallon bucket. Wash only the area with mildew.
- **Cleaning:** Always brush off caked on dirt or mud (let mud dry) with a soft brush.
- **Washing Tent:** Use only mild, all natural detergents. Always scrub lightly.
- **Storage:** Never store a damp or wet tent. Let it dry naturally. Your tent will get mildewed if stored wet regardless of it being pretreated.
- **UV Rays:** Long exposure to the sun's UV rays will damage all canvas fabrics. A fly is recommended to prevent UV damage if you set up your tent 2-3 weeks or longer annually. A fly keeps your roof clean, helps shed snow easier, keeps moisture out and heat in. A tent fly is a great additional weather barrier.
- **Leaking Seams:** Use a tent seam sealer to stop leaking seams or buy a fly.
- **Stoves or Lanterns:** Keep all stoves and lanterns away from canvas.
- **Set up Location:** Be aware of which trees emit resins and avoid setting up your wall tent under these types of trees.