BLACKS VERVE

ERECTION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Select an area with good drainage, clear stones twigs etc which may puncture the groundsheet. Avoid areas which could flood, e.g. in a dip. Face doorways away from wind and make use of hedges and walls as windbreakers. Avoid trees which continue to drip long after rain and also deposit broken branches in wind.
- 2. Open the tent bag, but before you take everything out, look at how the tent is packed. This will help when you come to repack it.
- 3. Lay the contents on the ground you should have –
- 1 Flysheet (coloured outer cover)
- 1 inner tent with attached ground sheet
- 1 pole bag containing strung sections for two fibreglass poles
- 1 peg bag with 13 pegs and 4 guyropes
- 4. Unfold the poles and gently slot the strung sections together to form two poles of equal length (Figure 1).
- 5. Layout the inner tent in your chosen location and ensure the door is zipped for ease of pegging later on. Turn the position of the tent so the door faces away from the prevailing wind. If it is windy, you may wish to put a few pegs in, to stop the tent blowing away!
- 6. Take the poles and push them through the intermittent sleeves on the inner tent. The poles should be at right angles to one another. (Never pull the poles as the sections will come apart) (Figure 2).
- 7. Place one end of both poles into the eyelets closest to the inner tent. Repeat this process with the other ends of the poles. To make this process easier feed the fabric of the sleeve over the pole (Figure 3).
- 8. The tent will now have taken shape. To secure the poles, use the tie at the top of the tent to hold them together.
- 9. Now you can start to put the pegs in. To make sure the tent is pitched symmetrically, start at the left hand corner and work your way round the tent angling the pegs slightly towards the tent. Put the pegs into the D-ring closest to the ground.
- 10. Once the inner tent is secure, throw the flysheet over the top; making sure the doorway is in the correct position. Before you attach the flysheet at the bottom of the tent, attach it to the poles, using the Velcro that is sewn into the seams of the flysheet (Figure 4A).
- 11. Clip the flysheet to the bottom of inner tent using the hooks and the second D-ring.
- 12.. After you've clipped on the final corner, pull the porch area out and once you have equal tension either side, peg it down. "
- 13. Unravel the guy ropes and attach one to each of the guyrope loops with a simple knot. Loosely peg out the guy ropes at roughly equal distances from the lent (Figure 4B).
- 14. Once all the guyropes are pegged down, tightened the adjusters to achieve the same tension on all ropes.
- 15. Collect up spare pegs, peg and pole bags, put them in the tent bag, keep them in the inner tent

DISMANTLING INSTRUCTIONS

<u>Do not pull pegs out using the guys or lugs</u>, if necessary hook them out with another peg. Stack the pegs together.

- 1. Sweep inner tent clean with the tent bag. Close the doors of the fly sheet and inner tent.
- 2. Unpeg the guy ropes and neatly tie up to avoid tangling (Figure 5). .
- 3. Unclip and unvelcro the flysheet and pull it off the inner tent.
- 4. Unpeg the inner tent and gently remove the poles from the eyelets -the pole will be under stress so keep your face away.
- 5. Gently PUSH (do not pull) the poles out of the sleeves. The best way to do this is to hold up with one hand and push the pole through with the other.
- 6. Allow the tent, poles and pegs to dry fully. if possible before packing, otherwise immediately after returning home.
- 7. Pack the flysheet, inner tent, poles and pegs in the tent bag.

