



TATONKA[®]

DOME TENTS // ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

CHECK LIST BEFORE THE TRIP

Have you read the TATONKA Tent Manual?

Have you already put up the tent on your own without any problems?

If not, make sure you have the necessary information and then put up the tent once while you are still at home.

Is the tent complete (including all the accessories) and in good condition?

1. Flysheet
2. Inner tent
3. Poles
4. Guy ropes
5. Groundsheet (not supplied)
6. Tent pegs (various types if necessary)
7. Repair set (not supplied)

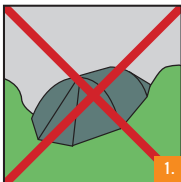
If not, ensure the tent is complete before the trip and carry out any necessary repairs.

Was the tent stored dry?

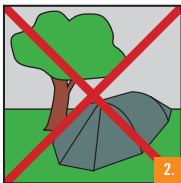
If not, make sure it is dried out completely. As the coating may be damaged, consult a specialist dealer if necessary.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT PITCH

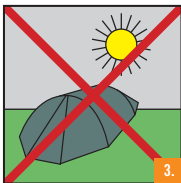
1. Do not position your tent in a dip.



2. Do not set your tent up under large trees (potentially dangerous because of lightning storms and falling branches).



3. Avoid pitches where the tent is directly exposed to the sun.



4. Clear the pitch of stones and pointed objects and level out any holes with sand or earth.



PREPARATION/LAYING OUT THE TENT

1. Lay out the groundsheet on the chosen pitch – taking wind direction into consideration.



2. Carefully put together the individual pole sections, making sure that the connectors are properly pushed together. If two sections are not properly connected, the pole may break.



3. Unpack the inner tent and flysheet and lay the inner tent on the groundsheet. The entrance being used should lie on the lee side, facing away from any wind.



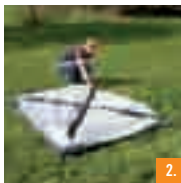
FEEDING THE POLES THROUGH THE POLE SLEEVES

Feeding through – Important: only push, don't pull!

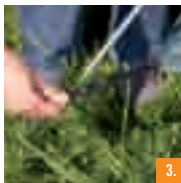
1. Push the poles into the pole sleeve and guide the leading end with one hand. Slowly feed the pole through with the other hand. Where there are gaps in the pole sleeve, follow the seam.



2. Push the other pole(s) (depending on the model) through their pole sleeves. The poles will cross.



3. Place the metal tips into the relevant eyelets on the material tabs and

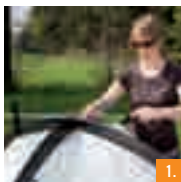


4. slowly place the other end of the pole into its eyelet, while simultaneously raising the arched pole. This step is easier with two people, but can also be managed alone with a little practice.



ERECTING THE TENT/TENSIONING

1. Only applies to Mountain Dome: position the roof ridge pole above the point where the poles cross. Hang the material loops from the inner tent over the free ends of the roof ridge pole.
2. All models: throw the flysheet over the tensioned inner tent and align the entrances.
3. Only Mountain Dome: push the ends of the roof ridge pole into the material pockets on the interior of the flysheet; this will lightly tension the flysheet's upper seam.
4. Only Sherpa Dome Plus: push the short apsis poles into the pole sleeve on the flysheet.
5. All models: secure the flysheet using the adjustable material belts at the ends of the poles.
6. All models: tension the corner points equally.
7. All models: tension and secure the entrances and free brailing loops on the flysheet using the tent pegs supplied.
8. All models: in the case of strong wind, we recommend you additionally secure the flysheet with guy ropes.



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PRACTICAL TIPS

Tensioning

- Use surrounding objects (trees, large stones) to tension.
- You can also use items from your equipment for tensioning (ski, ice-axe ...).

A brief lesson on knots

1. Figure-of-eight (should be tied at the ends of guy rope tensioners)
2. Bowline (ideal for making a secure loop)
3. Clove hitch (to fix an open end around a tree, for example)





TAKING DOWN THE TENT

- Take everything out of the tent.
- Close all the zips.
- Take all the pegs out of the brailing loops and guy ropes. Clean the pegs and pack them away in the peg bag.
- Pull the flysheet off the inner tent, shake it out and dry if necessary.
- Slowly and carefully PUSH! each individual pole out of its pole sleeve. Important: the poles should never be pulled (the connections will pull apart and there is a risk of damaging the pole sleeve from the inside).
- The best way is to guide the pole through by hand from one end, while feeding the material over the pole with the other.

LEAVE YOUR TENT PITCH IN THE SAME CONDITION AS YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND IT. DISPOSE OF ANY RUBBISH AND LEFTOVER FOODSTUFFS.

FOLDING THE TENT

1. Fold the inner tent and flysheet separately, if possible in a dry and clean condition.
2. Lay the flysheet flat on its side and fold from alternating sides into the middle, then roll or fold up the flysheet from the roof to the floor seam (this allows the air to escape easily).
3. Arrange and fold the inner tent in such a way that the side walls are laid inside and the floor of the tent is outside.
4. Store the tent in its packsack. Remember to pack all the accessories (poles, pegs, any spare guy ropes).



TRANSPORT AND STORAGE

- If the tent has to be packed wet, ensure that it is put up again within 12 hours or left open to dry.
- When storing for extended periods, the tent should be completely dry and should not be stowed in a compressed form.
- Check that the tent is complete before storing it away.
- If repairs are necessary, do these prior to storing the tent – this will avoid stress before the next trip (leaks, guy ropes, poles, flecks of resin, persistent grime)!



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